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SYMBOLS

A	implication factor, atm
b	thickness of ECR containing wall
B_0C	torus axis
\tilde{B}	toroidal, dimension of FCR in z direction
D_h	hydraulic diameter
e	specific heat
f	weighting function, half width of plasma
E	Energy
f	friction factor
G	Green's function
g	function defined in Eq.(3.140) in
H	dimension of FCR in x -direction
h	convective heat transfer coefficient
k	thermal conductivity
k	latent heat
Pe	Peclet number
α	Prandtl Number
P	Prandtl function
Pe	Peclet number
Pe	Peclet number
\dot{Q}	Release flow rate

q	Heat flow
R	Radius
r	Coordinate in cylindrical and spherical systems
R	Radius (resistance)
R_0	Reference radius
R	Interface position
R_0	Radius number
T	Temperature
t	Time
T	Temperature, mass velocity
T	Temperature, volume
θ	PCM module
r, θ, z	Coordinates in Cartesian system

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α	Thermal diffusivity
β	Expansion in the Green's function
β	Green delta function
γ	Small constant
δ	Parameter in finite difference method
μ	Wick function
Ω	Function defined in Eq. (2.66)
ρ	Density
τ	Binary variable of case
Ω	Selection domain

Abbreviations and Symbols (cont.)

b	boundary value
c	constant or base
d	fluid
e	boundary value, special value
f	special value
l	liquid phase
m	mixing point
n	time level index
p	Phase equation, PDE
s	solid phase, reference position, spline
w	well, shell

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A numerically-aided method has been developed for the solution of
conduction heat transfer with phase change in multiple dimensions. In
this method, the heat transfer is not directly computed from the
inter-directions by changing the second partial differential in these
directions where the phase change is less dominant to a finite
difference form and solving the problem in the other direction with an
analytical solution that accounts for the action of the interface as a
phase change problem. The solution developed in this work is the
independent of the equations used to represent the interface as well
as the conditions imposed on the boundaries.

The method has been applied to the tracking of single, double,
and condensing interfaces. Fronts formed by different phase changing

equal properties. The method has been demonstrated to be accurate, convergent, and stable by numerical computation as well as experimental measurements. The method has also been applied to the solution of analogous heat transfer problems involving convection in a fluid medium and conduction in the phase change material, a problem applicable to the analysis of latent heat thermal energy storage systems.

CHAPTER 1 INTRODUCTION

Phase change problems involving melting and freezing have found numerous applications in science and engineering. Phase-change processes are fundamental in manufacturing and material processing, and in casting and continuous casting. In the important area of food processing, phase change has been an integral part of a freezing and thawing process in which one substance can be separated from another by means of a phase change. The latent heat absorbed and released by a substance during a phase change also works favorably in energy storage. Since the latent heat is usually large for some substances, a small volume-to-energy ratio can be achieved. This makes the process particularly attractive for solar energy applications. Recently, with the increased use of lasers in industrial processes such as cutting, drilling, surface hardening and dissoluting, the phase change has added another dimension to contemporary research.

Phase-change problems have been strongly related to as a class of moving boundary problems. In contrast to many conventional physical problems in which the solutions are sought in a fixed domain, the phase change problems are solved in a variable domain.

There are two phases in the system which are separated by a phase-change interface. Under the continuous heat transfer with the surroundings through the boundary, this interface position can change with time. The interface position is unknown a priori and must be determined by solving nonlinear equations. The phase-change problem thus poses a real challenge for analysis.

Phase change problems that have been solved in the literature have often been treated with various degrees of simplification. Earliest phase-change analyses have been confined strictly to a heat diffusion study in a domain bounded with boundary conditions that are consistent with parabolic and thus, linear models common for the property variations in different phase regions and for a medium exposed with time-variant conditions. While these are very realistic physically, they also add complexity to the analysis to the extent that these problems can no longer be solved exactly. Particularly noteworthy in the recent development of methods for the solution of phase change coupled with convection and radiation. These problems can only be solved numerically. These numerical articles have recently been further extended for the solution of phase change due to a moving heat front, a problem of great importance in melting and casting. A detailed bibliography review is provided in Chapter 2.

Phase-change heat transfer problems can be classified according to the configuration and the location of the interface in the system. Thus, it was noticed, the phase change is assumed to occur at a distinct temperature which does not change with time. In such cases,

the solid and liquid regions are separated by a sharp front whose position can be determined rigorously. This permits the interface position to be verified experimentally. In some materials, however, the phase change occurs over a narrow temperature range. Then, the phase change takes place in a mushy zone where the phase change is smearedly dispersed. Probably most interesting of all is the phase change in alloys; in the alloys, the phase change temperature is not distinct. There is a crystalline-like structure at the interface which is not necessarily smooth or even continuous. In practice, materials with crystalline structure and mushy zone can be analyzed more effectively with computational approximation. This is not so, however, for a material with a distinct phase change temperature. The interface position in such a material must be determined more rigorously. This interface position can also serve as a basis for evaluation of the accuracy of the analysis.

Phase-change problems that have been solved in the literature are mostly for domains in one dimension. Solutions of two dimensional problems have merely been attempted, although an explicit method can be used to solve such problems consistently, this method only works well if the phase change occurs in a mushy zone.

It is thus the purpose of this work to develop a hybrid scheme that employs a Finite-Difference method in one direction and a numerical integral method in another direction. The former will be used in the direction where the phase change is less distinct, while the latter will be used in the other direction where the phase change interface

more rapidly. The source-network method is selected primarily for the convenience and accuracy as demonstrated in eight previous studies (Que Beek, 1982; Beek and Que, 2000a, 2000b; Que and Beek, 2004; Que, 2005). As will be shown, the source-network method only requires one set of equations to solve for temperatures in 'all' phase regions. In contrast, it is necessary to use a set of equations for 'each' phase region in the traditional method of solution by the Successive Stefan formalism. The work involved in the solution can thus be reduced considerably for the source-network method. In addition, in the traditional method of solution, the interface Stefan condition must be given as a separate equation, whereas in the source-network method, this condition has been incorporated into the governing heat diffusion equation. The source-network method is thus highly efficient in the solution of the phase change problem.

In the present work, the source-network method is subjected to a rigorous test for its feasibility for superpositions. The method is then used to develop strategies for the solution of the problems in Cartesian, cylindrical, and spherical coordinates. For problems in Cartesian coordinates, the method has been tested analytically for the accuracy for long-time solutions. In addition, it has been built for superpositionally testing its accuracy for short-time solutions. In both efforts, the interface positions are used for comparison. Finally, the method has been applied for the analysis of two latent heat, thermal energy storage systems.

This dissertation is divided into six chapters. A brief literature review is provided in Chapter 2. Analytical methods that are related to the solution of phase change in multiple dimensions are compiled in Chapter 3. An experimental setup is described in Chapter 4. The analysis developed in this dissertation is used in a wide range of case studies and their results are presented in Chapter 5. Finally, conclusions and recommendations are given in Chapter 6 to close this dissertation. To facilitate use of the analysis developed in this work, computer programs written in FORTRAN language are compiled in the appendices. It is hoped that the insight gained from this study will contribute to the solution of phase change in multiple dimensions in the future.

CHAPTER 2 REVIEW OF LITERATURE

Study of phase-change problems dates back to 1826 when latent and Capillary (see Baklanov, 1971) first studied the mechanism of the solid stress caused by melting a liquid under a constant temperature condition. Over years, the problems have drawn attention from various quarters, and today the phase-change principles have been greatly extended and applied to study various scientific phenomena. The phase-change problems have been so studied for over one hundred and twenty years, and the phase-change literature is spread over several disciplines. It is thus a daunting task even for a brief review in this chapter. Since the present work strictly deals with the development of a two dimensional, diffusion-driven, phase-change solution scheme that contains an analytical solution in one direction and a numerical solution in another direction, only mathematical methods for diffusion driven phase change are relevant here. It is thus the purpose of this chapter to provide a brief survey of the mathematical techniques popular for the solution of phase-change problems by numerical engineers; see a summary of methods diagrammed in Figure 2-1. Interested readers are referred to books and monographs (e.g., Crank, 1980; See and Veen, 1985) for a detailed treatment on the subject.

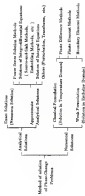


Figure B-1 Solution methods of boundary problems

2.1 Analytical Solution of the Stefan Problem

2.1.1 Exact solutions

In the semi-continuum literature, phase-change problems have often been referred to as Stefan problems in recognition of Stefan who first reported the solution of such problems in the open literature in 1850 (Cortissoz and Jaeger, 1984). However, it has now been fully noted that the first exact solution of the problem was attributed to Neuman more than forty years earlier. Neuman's work was contained in a series of lecture notes but was complete in the sense that it provided derivations not only of the exact heat flux law that governs the motion of the phase-change interface as predicted earlier by Lam and Clapeyron but also of the value of the proportionality constant which was missing in Lam and Clapeyron's work. Thus, for the first time in history, Neuman solved the Stefan problem completely.

Neuman's work is important for the fact that, despite numerous efforts made by others in search of additional exact solutions after Neuman, Stefan problems that can be solved exactly today remain those that were originally solved by Neuman more than hundred and thirty years ago. Indeed, it has now been firmly established that, for a Stefan problem that can be solved exactly, the problem must be amenable to a similarity transformation. This limits the problem to be solved to an infinite domain, composed of a material of constant phase properties, and exposed with a constant temperature boundary condition.

2.1.2. Approximate analytical solutions

With the great limitation imposed by the exact solution, it is not surprising to see a wide range of approximate solutions developed and documented in the literature. One of the early approximate methods expands the unknown position and the temperature in the medium in terms of a power series or series and complementary series functions. These series are then substituted into the governing equations and boundary conditions to determine the coefficients in the series expansion. The next step method in a variety of studies. It also extended the method for study of phase change imposed with arbitrary initial and boundary conditions [Tao, 1979, 1982, 1984].

Power series methods find great usefulness in the determination of short-time solutions. At short time, the series converges rapidly; only a few terms are thus sufficient for an accurate solution. However, at long time, more terms are necessary. The methods become tedious and the determination of the coefficients becomes time consuming. They lose their appeal.

Phase-change problems can also be solved by using integrodifferential equations. Lightfoot (1980) developed a strong least squares method for the solution of solidification imposed with a constant temperature boundary condition. In his method, Lightfoot of latent heat due to solidification is taken as a strong least squares. The temperature in the medium is expressed in terms of a Green's function. When Lightfoot used this method for solving a problem that it possible for an exact solution, the integrodifferential equations

obtained in his work can be solved by a similarity transformation. This leads to results expressed in series and complementary series functions (Ozawa, 1971). Thus, Higashino's integrodifferential solution effectively replaces Rossini's exact solution.

Being a moving heat source front for solidification naturally leads to the use of a moving heat sink for melting. Higashino's method can thus be taken as a source-and-sink method. Chuang and Shukly (1971) have used this notion in the development of a numerical scheme for the solution of Stefan problems. Recently, the source-and-sink method has been greatly extended for the solution of Stefan problems imposed with temperature and time coefficients that are either constant or variable with time (Choi and Choi, 1985a,1985b, 1987 and Choi, 1988). In these efforts, the method has been shown to be highly accurate particularly for solution at long time. It has thus been used to assess the source in some other solution methods frequently used in the literature. The method has also been applied to the solution of phase change subjected to spatial temperature and flux conditions (Choi and Choi, 1985a). In these problems, both melting and freezing fronts appear simultaneously in the medium. Recently, the source-and-sink method has been shown to be equivalent to the boundary element method (Choi, 1988). This discovery opens a new avenue of broadening the vicinity of both methods for the solution of heat transfer problems.

An important feature of the source-and-sink method is that the method uses only one set of equations to solve temperature as 'all' phase regions. By contrast, in the conventional methods, one set of

equations is required to solve temperature in 'each' phase region. Furthermore, in the semi-analytical method, the interface flux condition has been incorporated into the governing equations. The number of equations solved in this method is thus far lower than with the semi-analytical methods. However, the method works best for a system of constant and equal properties in different phase regions. For a system with different property values, stable curves and sticks or a combination of the curve-and-stick and the boundary element can be used as suggested by Belcher (1980) and Rajak (1983). However, the equations are complicated considerably. The method leaves the following issues:

Integro-differential equations have also been used by Selig (1976) in the solution of Stefan problem. Following a different approach, Selig subdivided the time-variable phase regions into a large domain enclosed by a fixed boundary. The problem can then be solved in a fixed domain. However, since the conditions imposed on the fixed boundary are intended to reproduce the conditions existing on the real physical boundaries including the interface, the conditions on the fixed boundary become unknown. In our own study, Selig (1976) introduced a fictitious film condition at the fixed boundary. This results in the solution of a system of integro-differential equations for the unknown film and the interface position.

Stefan problem can also be solved by a least squares integral method (Gustafson, 1984). Essentially a branch of a large class that is commonly known as the method of weighted residuals, the least integral

needed is necessary, is not particularly in the vicinity of phase change in a medium that is initially at the phase-change temperature (i.e., interface problem) and coupled with a time-dependent boundary condition. In this method, the governing equation is changed to an integral form and a trial function (usually polynomial) is used to represent the temperature of the medium. This temperature function is then substituted into the integral equation to solve for the location of the interface position with time. Since the temperature function must be assumed a priori, the accuracy of the solution is related to the differentiation of this function in the solution. Gooding and Chen (1980) and Tsou (1981) have also applied this method to solve phase change problems with two phase regions.

It has been widely accepted that, in the case between integral method, using a higher order polynomial for temperature as the trial function provides an assurance for improvement of accuracy in the solution (Gooding, 1976; Langford, 1972). However, a spatial sub-division has been found to be useful as reported by Seider (1972) and Bell (1976). Bell (1976) has further applied this method to the analysis of solidification around a cylindrical pipe by a Runge-Kutta numerical integration algorithm.

3.1.3. Other approximate solutions

Stefan problem can also be solved by using quasi-steady and quasi-steady-state approximations. In the quasi-steady approximation, the unsteady term in the governing equations are dropped. This

results in a temperature that is good for long-time solutions; as for the quasi-steady approximation, the interface velocity term in the governing equations and the interface condition are all dropped. In such, the interface is treated stationary. Since the initial condition must still be satisfied, the temperature is good for short-time solutions.

In the asymptotic method of solution, these quasi-steady and quasi-stationary limits are used for inner and outer expansions in the construction of temperature and interface profiles. Deek and Spontak (1989) have demonstrated that the quasi-stationary approximation is actually the seventh order solution of a regular perturbation, which is, indeed, good for a short-time solution. On the other hand, Weinbaum and Li (1977) have shown that the lowest order term of a long-time perturbation actually leads to a quasi-steady limit and is then good for a long-time solution. These perturbation methods work well for small Stefan numbers. Since the nonlinearity involved in the asymptotic solution is predominantly inherent, the method is particularly useful only for first-order approximations. Solomon (1978) developed an approximate solution for a phase change exposed with a constant heat flux condition. His method follows that of the integral method; however, the energy balance is not presented in the solution.

Phase-change problems have also been solved by a Fourier transform (Chakraborty, 1975). In this method, the Stefan problems are reduced to an initial-value problem. In a similar fashion, a Laplace transform can be used to change the problems into boundary-value

problems. While the conditions are relatively easy to apply, the iteration poses a problem. The iteration process often leads to the solution of integrodifferential equations.

Exact analytical solutions of two-dimensional Stefan problems

Stefan problems that have been solved in the literature are mostly one dimensional. There has been a lack of solutions for two dimensional problems. Paine (1961) attacked the heat balance integral method for the solution of phase change in a square prism exposed with a uniform temperature medium. He was able to show that his analytical results were in reasonable agreement with the numerical results obtained earlier by Ellis and Brown (1961). Two dimensional Stefan problems can also be solved by using an embedding method as shown by Kikuchi and Inley (1966). Following a totally different approach, Goklen and Ali (1971) were able to combine Raghunath's moving heat source method and Stefan's treatment of the interface condition (Paine, 1961). They developed an analytical solution for solidification in a two dimensional corner. Goklen and Brown (1971) followed essentially the same approach in the analysis of phase change in a planar wedge. In these efforts, the interface position must be assumed a function of x priori, and the constants in this function are determined by substituting the function into integrodifferential equations. The success of the method thus hinges on the use of the proper function in the early stage of solution.

3.2. Numerical Solution of the Stefan Problem

It is expected that, in the numerical solution, the phase change problem can be solved by using a finite difference method (FDM), a finite element method (FEM), and a boundary element method (BEM). It is noted that, in the study of heat diffusion without phase change, the problems are usually treated as a temperature domain. This is not so, however, for diffusion with phase change as in a Stefan problem. In the Stefan problem, because the phase change interface is unknown a priori and must be determined as a part of the solution, there is an alternative to the solution in the temperature domain. In fact, the problem can be solved more accurately in an enthalpy domain. The former (solution in temperature domain) requires a classical formulation, while the latter (solution in enthalpy domain) requires a weak formulation. They are briefly reviewed in the sections that follow.

3.2.1. Classical Formulation

In the classical formulation, temperature is targeted for solution. The governing equations, the initial and boundary conditions are all expressed in terms of temperature and they are used together in the solution of the interface position as well as the temperature in the medium. This method works well if the interface position in the form of investigation. As such, the method is useful if the material has a distinct phase change temperature.

In the solution of the phase change by a classical formulation, it is difficult to track the interface position, since the predicted interface position may not fall on the grid lines initially set up in the solution. Iteration is usually necessary which leads to complexity in the solution. A remedy to this is to use adaptive grids or transformation of variables. In these methods, the interface position is always tied to a grid line or is localized on the transformed domain. Murty and [1989] has made an extensive study for migration of numerical methods. Some popular methods have been provided in order by Wilson et al. [1984] and Kowal [1986].

In the numerical solution by the FEM and FDM, the computational grids can be either fixed or time-varying. In the fixed grid method, an interpolation technique is usually necessary at each time step so that the interface positions can be determined accurately [Rorery and Lurie, 1984; Bortone, 1984; Bortone and Lee, 1985]. By contrast, in the variable grid method, the grid must be modified at each time step [Hight and Kane, 1985, 1986]. Kowalew and Joseph [1981] solved a one dimensional Stefan problem by using a third-order accurate fluxes element method with an adaptive grid. In their work, the computational grid is re-constructed at the end of each time step and the results of the previous time step are mapped onto the new grid by interpolation. These methods are often referred to as front-tracking methods and have been used extensively in the numerical solution of phase-change problems.

An alternative to the fixed grid method is to introduce an appropriate set of space coordinates so that the governing equation and boundary conditions can be transformed from the physical domain to a computational domain. In the computational domain, the interface position runs as a grid line. This method falls into the category of *fixed-fitting* or *boundary-fitting*. Patankar [1982] and Iwamoto and Naito (1985) have made extensive studies for comparison of the fixed-grid method and the transformed-grid method. As expected, when the grid transformation is extended to the solution of phase change in two and three dimensions, the choice of the transformation coordinates, hence an body-fitted coordinates, becomes particularly important. It is also necessary that the interface track curve be smooth and continuous and the number of grid lines between the interface and the boundaries be fixed. Liu et al. (1990) combined the transformation method with an energy conserving finite difference scheme in the analysis of flowing outside a cooled tube. Wang et al. (1992) used body-fitted grids together with an adaptive grid technique in the solution of solidification in mechanism casting. Additional numerical solutions by 2D and 3D have been discussed in Frankopf (1979), Savitsk (1979), Zhou (1982) and Wang (1982), among others.

3.3.3 Mesh deformation

In the mesh deformation, the problem was solved in an arbitrary domain. Analogous to the Rankine-Hugoniot equation in the shock-wave analysis, the mesh deformation can be used to solve phase-change problem without searching for the mesh position of the interface. In

is then superior of the interface position is not targeted for investigations [Elliott and Schneider 1999; Schneider and Smith 1999].

In the enthalpy method, the phase-change interface is described a posteriori from the numerical solution carried out in a fixed domain. A survey of the recent developments of the enthalpy method has been given in Fourn and Schneider [2002] and a detailed description of the method can be found in Alexander and Sbrana [1993].

Although the enthalpy methods have been used on the solution of phase change in many engineering problems, it is found that these methods work well if the phase change occurs over a small zone. For problems with a distinct phase-change temperature, the nonisometry behavior of the enthalpy over the phase-change temperature generates great numerical difficulties which compromise the application of an arbitrary smoothing function of the enthalpy [Goodrich, 1973] and suppression of the oscillations on the solution [Poller and Gross, 1983; Fourn, 1985, 1986]. While these difficulties can be resolved by smoothing the interface, it also complicates the solution. Best of all, it defeats the purpose of using the enthalpy method which is intended for bypassing the search for the interface in the first place [Fourn and Fourn, 1992].

3.3.3 The boundary element method

Phase-change problems have recently been solved by a boundary element method [BEM] and a combination of BEM and FEM. In the BEM, with the use of a time-dependent fundamental solution, only boundary

grids are required in the solution. O'Neil [1980] developed a noniterative boundary element analysis, which provided the temperature gradients normal to the elements at the phase-change interface to be determined directly in the solution. Johnson and Rajuraj [1987] developed an iterative implicit algorithm using BEM, which was shown to be free from major time-step limitations. Strohriegl et al. [1987] applied BEM to the solution of solidification around a buried pipe in a semi-infinite medium with initial superheating. The planar boundary was first initiated at the surface and propagated inward with time. The BEM has also been applied to the solution of solidification of metal casts in sand or cast solids [Hong et al. 1988]. This problem has also been solved by coupling the boundary element method and the finite difference method in a conjugate heat transfer analysis [Hong et al. 1989]. More recently, two and even three dimensional phase-change problems have been analyzed for laser heating, drilling, and cutting [see, for example, Bawa and Bawa, 1994; Barber et al. 1991; Bawa et al. 1992]. Bawa [1993] stated that the BEM is closely related to the finite-difference method and their application is discussed in a great detail.

CHAPTER 3 NUMERICAL ANALYSIS

In this chapter, the solution of Stefan problems by a numerical method [208] is presented. To ensure both accuracy and efficiency, a superposition technique with a free time marching scheme is introduced. The validity of the superposition technique for the solution of nonlinear Stefan problems is verified. Finally, the RSE with superposition technique is extended to the solution of multi-dimensional Stefan problems.

3.1 Stefan Formulation

3.1.1 Freezing superstate

Consider a phase-change process that is diffusion driven in a phase change material (PCM) having constant and equal properties in different phase regions; for such a process, the governing equations can be written as

$$\frac{\partial^2 T_{\alpha}(\vec{r}, t)}{\partial x^2} = \rho C_p \frac{\partial T_{\alpha}(\vec{r}, t)}{\partial t}, \quad \alpha = L, \quad 0 < t_0 < t < \infty \quad (3.1)$$

where the subscripts l and s denote the liquid phase region and solid phase region, respectively.

The initial and boundary conditions are given by (10) and

$$T(T_m) = T_0/d \quad (11)$$

$$k_1 \frac{\partial T_m}{\partial x_1} + k_2 [T_m - T_\infty] = q_0 \quad \text{at } x_1 = 0 \quad (12)$$

where q_0 denotes the external heat normal of the left boundary. For the sake of generality, the initial condition, k_1 (11), starts at k_1 . The boundary condition, k_2 (12), is also general in that it refers to the boundary condition of the fixed kind when k_1 and q_0 are taken to be zero; it refers to the boundary condition of the second kind when k_1 is taken to be zero.

In addition to the initial and boundary conditions, the interface between the liquid and solid regions is subjected to the temperature and flux conditions. Namely, in interface conditions, they are given by the following relations:

$$T_L(\beta, t) = T_S(\beta, t) = T_m \quad (13)$$

$$\frac{\partial T_L(\beta, t)}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial T_S(\beta, t)}{\partial x} = \lambda \frac{d}{dt} \frac{d\beta}{dt} \quad (14)$$

where x is in the normal direction of the interface, d is the latent heat of fusion (LH for freezing, LH for melting). Equation (13) is also known as the Stefan condition. It is this flux condition that solves the phase-change problem completely.

3.1.3 Brief review of the MHD

To describe the macro-molecule method, a one dimensional Stefan problem is considered; In this method, the interface condition, Eq. (2.10), is incorporated into the governing equation to form an equivalent problem (Koch and Choi, 1975a, 1975b), which, is one dimensional Cartesian system) takes the following form

$$\rho \frac{1}{h} \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} \right) + \frac{1}{h} \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} \delta(x) = 0, \quad 0 < x_1, \quad x \in \mathbb{R} \quad (3.6)$$

The corresponding initial, boundary, and interface conditions are given as follows

$$T(x, t_0) = T_0(x) \quad (3.7)$$

$$h \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial x} \right)_{x=0} + \lambda_0 [T(x_0, t) - T_m] = 0, \quad (3.8)$$

$$T_0(0) = T_m \quad (3.9)$$

The general solution of this problem can be expressed in terms of a Green's function as

$$\begin{aligned} T(x, t) = & \int_0^t \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} G(x, t | \xi, \tau) \delta(\xi) d\xi d\tau \\ & + \int_0^t \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (K_n) \delta(\xi) \\ & + \frac{1}{h} \int_0^t \frac{\partial G}{\partial x} (0, t | \xi, \tau) \delta(\xi) d\xi d\tau \end{aligned} \quad (3.10)$$

In $\mathcal{H}_2(1D)$, the first term on the right hand side accounts for the distribution of the initial condition, the second term accounts for the boundary condition, and the third term accounts for the action of the interface. The expressions for $[B]$ in the second term vary with the specific condition imposed at the boundary and are listed in Table 3.1.

Table 3.1: Expressions to account for the effects of boundary conditions

Boundary condition	Expression for $[B]$ in $\mathcal{H}_2(1D)$
$T(x_0,t) = T_0(t)$	$-T_0(t) \frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{H}_2(1D)}{\partial x^2}$
$\frac{\partial T(x_0,t)}{\partial x} = -\frac{h_0(t)}{k_0}$	$-\frac{h_0(t)}{k_0} \mathcal{H}_2(x_0)(x_0, t)$
$\frac{\partial^2 T(x_0,t)}{\partial x^2} = \frac{h_0'(t)}{k_0} T(x_0,t) + \frac{1}{k_0} \mathcal{H}_2(t)$	$\frac{h_0'(t)}{k_0} \mathcal{H}_2(x_0)(x_0, t)$

Brack and Crank (1962a, 1962b) and Crank and Nicolson (1957) used the \mathcal{H}_2 to solve one dimensional Stefan problems in a semi-infinite domain. In the problems they solved, the medium was initially at a uniform temperature. The boundaries were exposed with constant or time-varying temperature and flux conditions. To account for possible partial melting or superheating of the medium, the solutions were divided into two stages: a pre-melt stage and a phase change stage. The solutions for these stages were then combined into a single equation as

$$\ln \psi = P_0(\ln \xi) + P(\eta - \ln \xi) \int_{\eta_0}^{\eta} \frac{d\eta'}{P(\eta')} \exp[\eta' - \eta] \exp \left(\frac{dP(\eta')}{d\eta'} (\eta - \eta') \right) d\eta' \quad (3.11)$$

where η_0 is the time when phase change took place, and $\tilde{R}(\eta - \ln \xi)$ is the Heaviside function given by

$$\tilde{R}(\eta - \ln \xi) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } \eta < \ln \xi \\ 1 & \text{for } \eta \geq \ln \xi \end{cases}$$

Since the initial temperature was uniform, the third term on the right-hand side of (3.11) could be represented in a compact form as

$$T_0 \ln \xi = \int_{\eta_0}^{\eta} \frac{R(\eta')}{P(\eta')^2} \exp[\eta' - \eta] d\eta' \quad (3.12)$$

where

$$R(\eta) = \begin{cases} \frac{d}{d\eta} \left(\frac{T_0}{1 - \gamma} \right) & \text{for the first-kind boundary conditions} \\ \frac{1}{2} \ln \gamma & \text{for the second-kind boundary conditions} \end{cases}$$

In practice, since the interface position is unknown a priori, Eq. (3.11) must be solved numerically. In this effort, the entire time range is divided into small time intervals, Δt , over which numerical integration is performed as

$$\int_{\eta_0}^{\eta} P(\eta') d\eta' = \sum_{j=1}^N \int_{\eta_{j-1}}^{\eta_j} P(\eta') d\eta' \quad (3.13)$$

where P^{col} and $P^{\text{row}}(q, p) = (q, p)$. One of the advantages of this numerical method is that its accuracy does not degrade with time. Large errors only occur over the first few time steps and they diminish rapidly with time. Accurate results can then be obtained with this method. However, since the time integration always starts back to the initial condition at t_0 , the effect of truncation may be considerable, particularly at long time.

3.1.3 Time marching method

Another approach to the solution of Eq. (3.11) is the use of a time marching scheme. In this approach, the solution is expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} T(q, p^{(n+1)}) = & \left(T(q, p^{(n)}) Q(p, p^{(n)}) | q, p^{(n)} \right) \\ & + \left(\frac{\Delta t}{2} \right) \int_{p^{(n)}}^{p^{(n+1)}} \frac{H(q, p)}{p^{(n+1)} - p^{(n)}} \sqrt{p^{(n+1)} - p^{(n)}} dp \\ & + \left(\frac{\Delta t}{2} \right) \int_{q^{(n)}}^{q^{(n+1)}} \frac{H(q, p)}{q^{(n+1)} - q^{(n)}} \sqrt{q^{(n+1)} - q^{(n)}} dq. \end{aligned} \quad (3.14)$$

The time integration is then executed one step at a time, and the temperature evaluated at each time step serves as the initial condition for the succeeding time step and it moves on with time. For this method, a double integral emerges as the first term on the right. In this term, the temperature at time t^n is $T(q, p^n)$ which is constant. A numerical integration must therefore be performed, giving rise to additional computational effort. It also degrades the accuracy, which

is particularly promising when the domain for integration extends to infinity.

3.2.3.3. High-Approximation Techniques

To alleviate the problem stated in the preceding section, a superposition method with a one-kine marching scheme is developed. Before addressing this method, the validity of the superposition method for the solution of nonlinear Bioten problems is critically analyzed.

3.2.3.1. The validity of the superposition method

The superposition method has been widely used in the solution of linear boundary value problems. Although this method has also been applied to the solution of nonlinear Bioten problems, its validity has never been established. For the case of derivation is short follows. It is assumed that the domain is one dimensional. The PDE has constant and equal property values in different phase regions. Thus, the governing equations are all linear. The initial and boundary conditions are also linear. If the solution effect is superimposed into the correction effect by means of an overall long transfer coefficient. The only nonlinear relation comes from the interface flux condition. It is then necessary to investigate this condition if the superposition method is to be applied to the solution of the Bioten problem.

In short the derivation, a small constant ϵ is introduced such that, for a solving problem,

$$T(N+1) = T_0(x, 0), \quad T_0(x+L) = T_0(x) \quad (3.15)$$

In x approximation zero,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} T_0(x+L) = T_0$$

By definition, the differential of T w.r. x equal to 0 can be written as

$$\left. \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} \right|_{x=0} = \frac{\partial T(x, 0)}{\partial x} \bigg|_{x=0} + \frac{\partial T(x, 0)}{\partial x} \bigg|_{x=L} = 0 \quad (3.16)$$

Here, on the right hand side, the partial differentials are to be evaluated in the same phase region. That is to say, a ∂x in $\partial T/\partial x$ is to be followed by a ∂x in $\partial T/\partial x$. Then $\partial T/\partial x$ can be represented as

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial x} = - \frac{\partial T_0(x, 0, \partial x/\partial x)}{\partial T_0(x, 0, \partial x/\partial x)} \bigg|_{x=0} \quad (3.17)$$

Substituting (3.17) into (3.8) changes the interface condition to the following

$$\left[\frac{\partial T_0}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial T_0}{\partial x} \right]_{x=0} = - \frac{\partial(x)}{\partial} \cdot \frac{\partial T_0(x, 0, \partial x/\partial x)}{\partial T_0(x, 0, \partial x/\partial x)} \bigg|_{x=0} \quad (3.18)$$

which is clearly nonlinear.

An alternative form of Eq. (3.17) can be derived by working w.r. in both solid and liquid regions and equating their results as

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial x} = - \frac{\partial T_0(x, 0, \partial x/\partial x)}{\partial T_0(x, 0, \partial x/\partial x)} \bigg|_{x=0} = - \frac{\partial T_0(x, 0, \partial x/\partial x)}{\partial T_0(x, 0, \partial x/\partial x)} \bigg|_{x=L} \quad (3.19)$$

which can be expressed as

$$\left. \frac{\partial T(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{Q})}{\partial \mathbf{R}} \right|_{\mathbf{R}=\mathbf{R}_0} = \left\{ \left. \frac{\partial T(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{Q})}{\partial \mathbf{R}} \right|_{\mathbf{R}=\mathbf{R}_0} \left. \frac{\partial T(\mathbf{R}_0, \mathbf{Q})}{\partial T(\mathbf{R}_0, \mathbf{Q})} \right|_{\mathbf{Q}=\mathbf{Q}_0} \right\} \quad (3.20)$$

Since for the Stefan problem

$$\left[\left. \frac{\partial T(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{Q})}{\partial \mathbf{R}} \right|_{\mathbf{R}=\mathbf{R}_0} - \frac{\partial T(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{Q})}{\partial \mathbf{R}} \right]_{\mathbf{R}=\mathbf{R}_0} \neq 0 \quad (3.21)$$

because of the free jump at the interface, one can multiply the numerator and denominator of Eq (3.21) by the partial differential difference appearing in the left-hand side of (3.21) as

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial \mathbf{R}} = - \left[\frac{\partial T(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{Q})}{\partial T(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{Q})} \frac{\partial T(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{Q})}{\partial \mathbf{R}} - \frac{\partial T(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{Q})}{\partial T(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{Q})} \frac{\partial T(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{Q})}{\partial \mathbf{R}} - \frac{\partial T(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{Q})}{\partial T(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{Q})} \frac{\partial T(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{Q})}{\partial \mathbf{R}} \right]_{\mathbf{R}=\mathbf{R}_0} \quad (3.22)$$

Then, expanding the product in the numerator of the fraction in this equation and introducing (3.20) and cancelling out terms yields the following relation to be derived

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial \mathbf{R}} = - \left[\frac{\partial T(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{Q})}{\partial T(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{Q})} \frac{\partial T(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{Q})}{\partial \mathbf{R}} - \frac{\partial T(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{Q})}{\partial T(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{Q})} \frac{\partial T(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{Q})}{\partial \mathbf{R}} \right]_{\mathbf{R}=\mathbf{R}_0} \quad (3.23)$$

Equation (3.23) can then be expressed as

$$\left[\frac{\partial T}{\partial \mathbf{R}} - \frac{\partial T}{\partial \mathbf{R}} \right]_{\mathbf{R}=\mathbf{R}_0} = - \frac{\partial T}{\partial T} \left[\frac{\partial T(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{Q})}{\partial T(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{Q})} \frac{\partial T(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{Q})}{\partial \mathbf{R}} - \frac{\partial T(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{Q})}{\partial T(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{Q})} \frac{\partial T(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{Q})}{\partial \mathbf{R}} \right]_{\mathbf{R}=\mathbf{R}_0} \quad (3.24)$$

These equations will now be used to validate the use of the superposition principle in the solution to this effect. The

temperature is decomposed into a linear part \bar{U} and a nonlinear part \bar{U}' such that $\bar{U}(x, t) = \bar{U}_0(x) + \bar{U}'(x, t)$. For the diffusion problem indeed, \bar{U} is a smooth function of x and t . It thus has continuous first derivatives even at the interface, given by the relation

$$\frac{\partial \bar{U}(x_{0-}, t)}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial \bar{U}(x_{0+}, t)}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial \bar{U}(x_{0-}, t)}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial \bar{U}(x_{0+}, t)}{\partial x} = 0 \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow 0 \quad (3.34)$$

Equations (3.33) and (3.34) can then be reduced to

$$\frac{\partial \bar{U}'}{\partial t} = - \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \left[\frac{\bar{U}(x_{0-}, t) \partial \bar{U}(x_{0+}, t) / \partial x}{\bar{U}(x_{0-}, t) \bar{U}(x_{0+}, t) / \partial x} \right]_{x=x_0} \quad (3.35)$$

$$\left[\frac{\partial \bar{U}'}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \bar{U}'}{\partial x} \right]_{x=x_0} = \frac{\partial \bar{U}'}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial \bar{U}'}{\partial x} \quad (3.36)$$

Equations (3.35) and (3.36) show clearly that \bar{U} can be totally removed from the interface flux condition; only the \bar{U}' problem has a nonlinear condition at the interface. The key point in the superposition method is that the \bar{U}' problem is linear and smooth at the interface, while the \bar{U} problem is nonlinear which contains all the features characteristic of the Stefan problem.

It is noted that the derivation above can be easily extended to the solution of multi-dimensional Stefan problems. The derivation also illustrates well that the superposition principle is only valid for situations that the PCM has constant and equal properties in different regions.

3.1.1. Solution method

To describe the solution procedure, a general one-dimensional Stefan problem is taken for analysis. For this problem, the governing equation is given by the following

$$\frac{1}{d} \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial x} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial T}{\partial x}} \right), \quad 0 < x, \quad \text{and} \quad (3.26)$$

where d^2 is the dimensionless weighting function, given as follows

$$d = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{slab} \\ 1 & \text{cylinder} \\ 2 & \text{sphere} \end{cases}$$

The initial, boundary, and interface temperatures and flux conditions are, respectively,

$$T(x=0,t) = T_L(t) \quad (3.27)$$

$$k_1 \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial x} \right)_{x=0} + h_1 (T(x_0, t) - T_\infty) = 0 \quad (3.28)$$

$$T(x=S, t) = T_m \quad (3.29)$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial x} \right)_{x=S} = \frac{L}{k_2} \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial x} \right)_{x=S} \quad (3.30)$$

Application of the superposition as described in the preceding section leads to the solution of the problem to check the linear problem $\bar{T}(x,t)$ satisfies the following equation

$$\frac{1}{k} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(x^2 \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} \right), \quad \text{for } t_0 < x < \infty \quad (3.38)$$

$$\psi(x, t_0) = T_0(x) \quad (3.39)$$

$$k \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \Big|_{x=t_0} + k_0 \psi_{,x} - T_{0,x} = 0 \quad (3.40)$$

In this problem, Eq. (3.38) is satisfied identically because of the structure of T .

Correspondingly, the $T(x, t)$ problem satisfies the following relations

$$\frac{1}{k} \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(x^2 \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} \right), \quad \text{for } t_0 < x < \infty \quad (3.38')$$

$$T(x, t_0) = 0 \quad (3.39')$$

$$k \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} \Big|_{x=t_0} + k_0 T_{,x} = 0 \quad (3.40')$$

$$T_0(x, t) = T_0(x, t_0) + T_{\text{ext}} = T(x, t) \quad (3.38'')$$

$$\left[\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} \right]_{x=t_0} = x \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} \Big|_{x=t_0} - \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} \Big|_{x=t_0} \quad (3.40'')$$

The T -problem, being linear, can be solved exactly by established methods, such as separation of variables or integral transformations. However, these analytical solutions often lead to

infinite series of trigonometric or Bessel functions, which are also in series. In addition, the expansion goes often to third order. For these reasons, the analytical solutions may be impractical. We will therefore use one of a numerical solution by a finite difference method (FDM) for the solution of the θ -problem.

To solve the T problem, the numerical mesh method is employed. Following Balak and Hall (1981a), the interface condition (2.30) is incorporated into the governing equation (2.28) to form an equivalent problem as follows:

$$\frac{1}{\delta} \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} = \frac{1}{\delta} \left(\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial r^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial z^2} \right) + \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} \quad \text{for } R_0(z) < r < R_1(z), \quad 0 \leq z \leq 1. \quad (2.32)$$

This equation can be solved in terms of the Green's function. In this effort, since the initial and boundary conditions are all homogeneous [see Eqs. (2.27) and (2.28)], the T problem can be solved as

$$T(r, z) = \frac{1}{\delta} \int_{-R_0}^R \left(\frac{\partial G(r, z)}{\partial z} \right) \mathcal{P}^* + \mathcal{P}(R_0, z) \mathcal{P}(r, z) dz \quad (2.33)$$

Application of the interface condition, Eq. (2.30), gives a relation

$$T_m = T(R_1, 0) = \frac{1}{\delta} \int_{-R_0}^R \left(\frac{\partial G(r, 0)}{\partial z} \right) \mathcal{P}^* + \mathcal{P}(R_0, 0) \mathcal{P}(r, 0) dz \quad (2.34)$$

which is to be solved implicitly for the interface position. In this effort, it is noted that, if R is located at a grid point, $\mathcal{P}(R, 0)$ can be directly obtained from the finite difference solution. Furthermore, a cubic spline will be used to determine \mathcal{P} at point R .

The solution procedure can now be stated as follows. For each time step after phase change, the T-problem is decomposed into a D-problem and a V-problem. The V-problem satisfies the inhomogeneous initial and boundary conditions (see Eqs (3.32) through (3.38)), while the D-problem satisfies homogeneous initial and boundary conditions together with interface conditions (see Eqs (3.38) through (3.42)). In the solution, it is convenient to use (3.41) as the governing equation for the V-problem, which incorporates (3.38) and (3.42), a reduction of one equation. Thus the D-problem is solved first by (38). The V-problem is solved next by (39). These solutions are then superimposed and this is done for each time step. In this method, the temperature evaluated at the new time level will be used as the initial condition for the D-problem at the next time level and it agrees asymptotically with time until the desired time is reached. A summary of the procedure can be given as follows.

- (1) Start from an initial condition $T_{in}(x)$ and set $n=1$.
- (2) Set $t_n, x_n^0, t = t^{(n)}$ and solve Eq (3.32) for $V(x, t^{(n)})$.
- (3) Solve Eq (3.42) for $D(x, t^{(n)})$.
- (4) Eliminate $V(x, t^{(n)})$ from Eq (3.42).
- (5) Find $T(x, t^{(n)}) = D(x, t^{(n)}) + V(x, t^{(n)})$.
- (6) Set $T_{in}(x) = T(x, t^{(n)})$, $n = n+1$, and repeat (2) to (5).

An important feature in this solution method is that the integral in $V(x)$ (see Eq (3.42)) is evaluated one step at a time and

the Pipeflow always starts with homogeneous initial and boundary conditions. In dense integration it is involved. Since a time marching scheme is employed, the method is equally efficient and accurate for short time as well as for long time.

In the numerical evaluation of the integrals in Eqs (3.40) and (3.43), a Simpson's Rule Quadrature Formula is used. With sufficiently small time steps, the interface velocity can be approximated as

$$\frac{dR(t)}{dt} = \frac{R(t+\Delta t) - R(t)}{\Delta t} \quad (3.44)$$

where $t^* \leq t < t^* + \Delta t$ and $\Delta t = t^* - t^*$. Thus, only one instance of $R(t^*)$ appears in Eq. (3.43). This solution can be found by using a root-finding method. To ensure a fast and convergent solution of this method, a conjugate function-derivative and iteration method is employed. It is expected that, for problems exposed with a sudden change of temperature at the boundary, the interface velocity $\frac{dR}{dt}$ tends to be infinite at time equal to t_0 . A large error may thus result if a finite and constant velocity is assumed in the first time step (see also Bales and Gray, 1983a). To reduce this error, a somewhat parameter is used to shift the time step to be treated as a variable. It starts with a very small value and increases gradually with time until it reaches a preset upper bound. In this way, the error can be reduced considerably.

3.1.1. Solution of the dimensional Stefan problem

The analysis given in the preceding section will now be used to solve the dimensional Stefan problem examples in Cartesian, cylindrical, and spherical systems. For the examples in Cartesian system, both semi-infinite and finite domain (plus slab) will be solved, whereas in the cylindrical and spherical systems, only finite domain of the cylinder and sphere will be considered. For these examples, the governing equations, initial, boundary, and interface conditions have been given in Eqs (3.30) through (3.35). The T and V problems are formulated as Eqs (3.36) through (3.40). The V problem has been solved using the equivalent problem (3.41) with the results given as (3.42). The interface position is to be solved using (3.43). Solutions for these examples are now compiled in the subsections that follow.

3.1.1.1. Solution in the dimensional Cartesian system

T -problem

The governing equations for the T -problem in a Cartesian system can be obtained from Eq. (3.36) by setting d equal to zero. To ensure numerical stability for all time steps, an explicit finite difference method is used with the results given as follows.

$$T_{i,j}^{n+1} = (1 + \Delta t \Delta_x \Delta_y) T_{i,j}^{nn} - \Delta_x T_{i,j}^{nn} - \Delta_y T_{i,j}^{nn} + \Delta t^2 \quad (3.43a)$$

or

$$\frac{[T_{i,j}^{n+1} - (1 + \Delta_x \Delta_y) T_{i,j}^{nn}] - [T_{i,j}^{nn} - T_{i,j}^{n-1}]}{\Delta t} = \Delta_x T_{i,j}^{nn} + \Delta_y T_{i,j}^{nn} \quad (3.43b)$$

where $\Delta_x = \Delta x / \Delta t$ and $\Delta_y = \Delta y / \Delta t$. Here, the superscript n refers to the time level and

the subscript j refers to the nodal point location. Thus

$$T_j^0 = T(x_j, t^0), \quad T_j^{n+1} = T(x_j, t^{n+1}).$$

Notice that Eq. (3.40a) is second-order accurate in space and first-order accurate in time and is often referred to as the single-implicit method. Equation (3.40b), however, is second-order accurate in both space and time and is commonly known as the double-implicit method. Both methods have been well established and are unconditionally stable for all time steps. These equations can be solved by using a triangular system of linear algebraic equations with a couple forward- and backward-substitutions, an efficient numerical procedure.

Temperature

The solution of the Temperature can be directly obtained from Eq. (3.40) by setting θ to zero. But explicitly note, let T^0 be t_0 and T^{n+1} be t_1 . Thus at the end of the first time step,

$$T(x_j, T^{n+1}) = T(x_j, t_1) = \left\{ \int_0^1 \frac{\partial T(x_j, t)}{\partial t} dx_j, t_1 \right\} \quad (3.41)$$

For the PDE is a semi-infinite domain, the Gauss's function is given by

$$\frac{\partial T(x_j, t)}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi\alpha(t-\tau)}} \left\{ \frac{-\partial T(x_j, \tau)}{\partial x_j} \exp\left\{ \frac{-x_j^2}{4\alpha(t-\tau)} \right\} + \frac{-\partial T(x_j, \tau)}{\partial x_j} \exp\left\{ \frac{-x_j^2}{4\alpha(t-\tau)} \right\} \right\} \quad (3.42)$$

where the plus (+) and minus (-) signs inside the brackets are to be used for flux (semi-inert) and temperature (convective) conditions at the boundary, respectively.

A close inspection of the Green's function in (B 47) reveals that it singularly is located at $r = R_0$. This singularity may degrade the accuracy of the numerical integrations and can be resolved by introducing a transformation

$$\eta = \sqrt{2a(R_0 - r)} \quad (\text{B 48})$$

so that Eq. (B 48) is changed to

$$P(\eta, \eta_0) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{d\eta_0}{d\eta} \int_{\eta_0}^{\eta} \frac{1}{2\eta_0} \left[r \frac{d\eta}{dr} \frac{d^2}{d\eta^2} + \frac{1 - \eta^2}{r^2} \right] d\eta \quad (\text{B 49})$$

For the FEM in a finite domain, such as a plate with $0 \leq x \leq R_0$, the Green's function agrees with the boundary condition. For a temperature condition imposed at $x = R_0$, the Green's function is independent of the condition at $x = 0$ and can be derived as

$$G(\eta_0 | \eta) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} e^{-\eta_0^2/2} e^{-\eta^2/2} \cos(\beta_n \eta_0) \cos(\beta_n \eta) \quad (\text{B 50})$$

However,

$$G_{,n} = \begin{cases} \frac{\eta_0}{2}, & \text{for a temperature condition at } x = R_0 \\ \frac{\partial \eta_0}{\partial \eta} \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial r} & \text{for a flux condition at } x = R_0 \end{cases}$$

On the other hand, for a flux condition imposed at $x = 0$, the Green's function is given by

$$Q(x, t; x', t') = C_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} e^{-\frac{1}{2^n} \frac{t-t'}{\tau_0}} \cos(\beta_n x) \cos(\beta_n x') \quad (2.107)$$

where

$$\beta_n = \begin{cases} \frac{(2n-1)\pi}{2L}, & \text{for a temperature condition at } x = B, \\ \frac{n\pi}{L}, & \text{for a flux condition at } x = B, \end{cases}$$

and

$$\beta_n = \begin{cases} \beta_n & \text{for a temperature condition at } x = B \\ \frac{n\pi}{L} & \text{for a flux condition at } x = B \end{cases}$$

In practice, when the Green's function are substituted into $Q_0(\frac{1}{2}, 0)$, a tedious and time consuming algorithm will be necessary to evaluate the integral because of the repetitive computation of the infinite series. However, by assuming a constant interface velocity from t_0 to t_1 , $Q_0(\frac{1}{2}, 0)$ can be simplified to the following form (see Appendix B for derivation):

$$T(x, t_1) = \frac{1}{2L} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n \beta_n \cos(\beta_n x) \quad (2.108)$$

For a temperature condition imposed at $x = B$, and

$$T(x, t_1) = C_0 \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{1}{2} dx + \frac{1}{2L} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n \beta_n \cos(\beta_n x) \quad (2.109)$$

For a time condition imposed at $r=0$ is thus appropriate:

$$\begin{aligned} B_r(r, t) = & \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi\alpha_1^2 t}} \exp\left\{-\frac{r^2}{4\alpha_1^2 t}\right\} \left[\alpha_1^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \text{erfc}\left(\frac{r}{2\alpha_1\sqrt{t}}\right) + (B_{r0}/\alpha_1) \text{erfc}\left(\frac{r}{2\alpha_1\sqrt{t}}\right) \right. \\ & \left. - e^{-\alpha_1^2 t/\alpha_2^2} \left\{ \alpha_2^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \text{erfc}\left(\frac{r}{2\alpha_2\sqrt{t}}\right) + (B_{r0}/\alpha_2) \text{erfc}\left(\frac{r}{2\alpha_2\sqrt{t}}\right) \right\} \right] \end{aligned} \quad (3.24)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} C_r(r, t) = & \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi\alpha_1^2 t}} \exp\left\{-\frac{r^2}{4\alpha_1^2 t}\right\} \left[\alpha_1^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \text{erfc}\left(\frac{r}{2\alpha_1\sqrt{t}}\right) + (C_{r0}/\alpha_1) \text{erfc}\left(\frac{r}{2\alpha_1\sqrt{t}}\right) \right. \\ & \left. - e^{-\alpha_1^2 t/\alpha_2^2} \left\{ \alpha_2^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \text{erfc}\left(\frac{r}{2\alpha_2\sqrt{t}}\right) + (C_{r0}/\alpha_2) \text{erfc}\left(\frac{r}{2\alpha_2\sqrt{t}}\right) \right\} \right] \end{aligned} \quad (3.25)$$

Here, in both equations, $B_{r0} = B(r, 0)$, $C_{r0} = C(r, 0)$, and $\alpha = \alpha_1/\alpha_2$.

3.2.3. Solution in cylindrical coordinate system

3.2.3.1. Problem

The governing equation for the θ -problem in a cylindrical system can be obtained from Eq.(3.10) by setting d equal to unity; its implicit finite difference solution for this problem can be derived as

$$(\theta_{i,j}^n - \theta_{i,j}^{n-1}) + (1/2\alpha_1^2) (\theta_{i,j}^{n-1} - \theta_{i,j}^n) (\theta_{i,j}^{n-1} - \theta_{i,j}^n) = \theta_{i,j}^{n-1}, \quad \text{if } i \neq 0 \quad (3.26)$$

and

$$(1 + \alpha_1^2) \theta_{i,j}^{n-1} - \alpha_1^2 \theta_{i,j}^{n-1} = \theta_{i,j}^{n-1}, \quad \text{if } i = 0 \quad (3.27)$$

Here, $\theta_0 = (dA/d\theta)(0, t)$ and θ_1 has been defined previously. These equations can then be solved by using the same tridiagonal matrix method previously

2-problem

The solution of the 2-problem can be obtained by setting d equal to unity in Eq. (3.43). Thus,

$$v(r, \theta, \phi) = \frac{1}{8} \int_0^{\pi} \frac{\partial \Omega(\tau)}{\partial \tau} \Omega(\tau) \Omega(r, \theta, \phi) \tau d\tau. \quad (3.46)$$

The Green's function for a solid cylinder $(0 \leq r \leq R_0)$ with a temperature condition imposed on the boundary at R_0 is given by the relation

$$G(r, \theta, \phi) = \frac{1}{R_0^2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{n^2 \pi^2}{R_0^2} r} \frac{J_n(\frac{n \pi}{R_0} r)}{J_n(\frac{n \pi}{R_0} R_0)} J_n(\theta, \phi) \quad (3.47)$$

where J_n and J_n are Bessel functions of the first kind of order zero and one, respectively. The eigenvalues λ_n are roots of

$$J_n(\lambda_n R_0) = 0 \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots \quad (3.48)$$

3.3.3 Solutions in spherical coordinate system

2-problem

The governing equation for the 2-problem in a spherical system can be obtained from Eq. (3.40) by setting d equal to two. An implicit finite difference solution for such a problem can be derived as

$$- (R_{i+1}^2 \partial_r^2 R_{i+1}^{2n}) + (1 + \partial_r^2) R_i^{2n+1} - (R_{i-1}^2 \partial_r^2 R_{i-1}^{2n}) = R_i^{2n}, \quad \text{if } i \neq 0 \quad (3.49)$$

and

$$(1 + \partial_r^2) R_0^{2n+1} - \partial_r^2 R_{i-1}^{2n} = R_0^{2n}, \quad \text{if } i = 0 \quad (3.50)$$

where \mathcal{E}_p and \mathcal{E}_s have been defined previously. These equations can also be solved by using the trigonometric solution.

7.2.3.3.3. Example

For a problem in spherical system, the solution of V can be obtained directly from Eq. (3.43) by setting d equal to two. This gives

$$V(r, \theta, \phi) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-R_0}^{R_0} \frac{\partial G(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}')}{\partial r'} \nabla^2 \psi(r', \theta', \phi') d\mathbf{r}' \quad (3.44)$$

The Green's function for a solid sphere ($0 \leq r \leq R_0$) is

$$G(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') = \frac{1}{4\pi} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=0}^l \frac{1}{r^l r'^l} e^{-\alpha_l r} e^{-\alpha_l r'} \cos(\theta, \mathbf{r}) \cos(\theta', \mathbf{r}') \quad (3.45)$$

For a Neumann condition imposed on the spherical surface,

$$\frac{1}{R} = \frac{1}{R_0} \quad \quad \alpha_l = \frac{l^2}{R_0^2} \quad (3.46)$$

On the other hand, for a mixed condition imposed on the surface,

$$\frac{1}{R} = \frac{2l(l^2 + R^2)}{R_0(l^2 + R^2) + R} \quad (3.47)$$

where R_0 are roots of

$$R_0^2 + 2R_0 R + R^2 = 0 \quad (3.48)$$

and $R = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{R_0}$

The solution for the V -problem can also be simplified to the following form (see Appendix B for derivation):

$$\psi(x, y) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n!} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right)^n \cos(\alpha y) \quad (2.88)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha^2 = & \frac{1}{(2\alpha)^2 + 4} \frac{1}{\partial_x^2} \left\{ \cos^2 \left(\alpha y \cos(\alpha x) - \alpha e^{-\alpha^2/2} \cos(\alpha x) \right) \right. \\ & \left. + \left(\alpha y \left(\alpha y \cos(\alpha x) - \alpha e^{-\alpha^2/2} \cos(\alpha x) \right) \right) \right\} \\ & - \frac{1}{(2\alpha)^2 + 4} \frac{1}{\partial_x^2} \left\{ \alpha^2 \left(\alpha y \right)^2 \left[\cos^2(\alpha x) - e^{-\alpha^2/2} \cos(\alpha x) \right] \right. \\ & \left. + 2\alpha^2 \left(\alpha y \cos(\alpha x) - e^{-\alpha^2/2} \cos(\alpha x) \right) \right\} \quad (2.89) \end{aligned}$$

3.1.3 Multiple Interference

The method developed above can also be applied to the solution of problems involving multiple interference. In this case, the solution of the V -problem remains unchanged. However, the solution of the U -problem can be obtained by using multiple sources and sinks. The equivalent governing equation for this problem is

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} \right) + \sum_{n=1}^N \delta \left(x - \frac{2n}{M} \right) \quad (3.90)$$

where M is the number of interference. The general solution of this equation is

$$V(x, t_0) = \sum_{j=1}^N \int_{x_{j-1}}^{x_j} \left[\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(x, t)}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(x, t)}{\partial t} \right] dx + \gamma_1 \mathcal{H}_\mu(x_1, t_0) \quad (8.76)$$

Here, the interface positions are determined by solving the following nonlinear equations simultaneously:

$$\begin{aligned} V_{\text{int}} - V(x_1, t_0) &= \sum_{j=1}^N \int_{x_{j-1}}^{x_j} \left[\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(x, t)}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(x, t)}{\partial t} \right] dx + \gamma_2 \mathcal{H}_\mu(x_1, t_0) \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial t} \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial t} \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial x} \\ V_{\text{int}} - V(x_2, t_0) &= \sum_{j=1}^N \int_{x_{j-1}}^{x_j} \left[\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(x, t)}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(x, t)}{\partial t} \right] dx + \gamma_2 \mathcal{H}_\mu(x_2, t_0) \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial t} \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial t} \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial x} \end{aligned} \quad (8.77)$$

$$V_{\text{int}} - V(x_M, t_0) = \sum_{j=1}^N \int_{x_{j-1}}^{x_j} \left[\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(x, t)}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(x, t)}{\partial t} \right] dx + \gamma_2 \mathcal{H}_\mu(x_M, t_0) \frac{\partial x_M}{\partial t} \frac{\partial x_M}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x_M}{\partial t} \frac{\partial x_M}{\partial x}$$

8.5.5 Stability analysis

Stability and convergence are essential to numerical solutions. For most problems, the stability and convergence tests are limited to the analysis of linear equations, which, hopefully, provides trends for the propagation of nonlinear equations. An alternative to this approach is the use of a numerical experiment. In this subsection, the stability of the linearized Stefan problem is one dimensional Cartesian system will be analyzed. Numerical tests for stability will be relegated to Chapter 9 where concrete examples will be studied.

Following the von Neuman stability analysis, a small disturbance of T is defined at time level n as that

$$T^n = \tilde{T}^n + \epsilon^n \quad (2.33)$$

where the last ϵ^n denotes the exact solution and \tilde{T} is the disturbance. In the temperature method, the temperature at a new time level $n+1$ can be decomposed as

$$p^{n+1} = p^{n+1}_D + p^{n+1}_T \quad (2.34)$$

Then, the disturbance at the new time level becomes

$$\epsilon^{n+1} = \epsilon^{n+1}_D + \epsilon^{n+1}_T \quad (2.35)$$

where ϵ_D comes from \tilde{T} and ϵ_T comes from T . As for the pressure method, the solution of T is obtained by using a finite difference method. Thus,

$$\epsilon^{n+1}_T = \frac{\epsilon^n}{1 + \frac{\Delta t}{2\mu} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}} \quad (2.36a)$$

if the simple implicit method (2.36a) is used, and

$$\epsilon^{n+1}_T = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial(1 - \cos k\lambda)}{1 + \frac{\Delta t}{2\mu} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}} \epsilon^n \quad (2.36b)$$

if the Crank-Nicolson method (2.36b) is used (Johansen *et al.* 1994).

Here, in both equations, λ is the phase angle

As for V and B , Eq. (3.44) can be first converted so that the linear delta function $\delta(x-R)$ can be treated as constant. Thus, if V and B are represented as

$$V = \bar{V} + v_1, \quad B = \bar{B} + v_2 \quad (3.77)$$

The disturbance v_1 must satisfy the following equation

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2 v_1}{dx^2} = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{d\bar{B}}{dx} \right) + \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{d\bar{V}}{dx} \right) \delta(x-R) \quad (3.78)$$

which is of the same form as (3.44). The disturbance v_2 can then be expressed in terms of v_1 , the deviation in the interface position, as

$$v_2 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{d}{dx} \right)^2 \int_0^x \Omega(x, \bar{B}_0(\bar{B})v_1, r) dr \quad (3.79)$$

As discussed previously for small δt , $v_2/\delta t$ can be treated as constant; it can then be taken out of the integral as

$$v_2 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{d}{dx} \right)^2 \int_0^x \Omega(x, \bar{B}_0(\bar{B})v_1, r) dr \quad (3.80)$$

It is noted that, in this work, the V problem has been solved by using a homogeneous initial condition; the disturbance in V then will not accumulate. However, the disturbance in B can be transformed to V through B which is solved using Eq. (3.44).

It is clear that, at the interface,

$$\nabla(\vec{E} \cdot \vec{e}_y) = \nabla_{\text{ext}} - \nabla(\vec{E} \cdot \vec{e}_y) \quad (2.81)$$

Then

$$\gamma_1 \left(\frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \right)^{1/2} \vec{E} = -\vec{e}_y \quad (2.82)$$

Introduction of (2.82) into (2.80) yields

$$-\gamma_1 = \frac{1}{\vec{E}} \left(\frac{d\vec{E}}{dz} \right) \int_0^{\vec{E}} d(\vec{E} \cdot \vec{e}_y) \sin(\gamma_1 r) dr \quad (2.83)$$

or

$$\frac{d\vec{E}}{dz} = \frac{-\gamma_1}{\left\{ \int_0^{\vec{E}} d(\vec{E} \cdot \vec{e}_y) \sin(\gamma_1 r) dr \right\}} \quad (2.84)$$

So that Eq. (2.83) can be written as

$$\gamma_1 = -\vec{E}_y \quad (2.85)$$

\vec{E} is defined as

$$\vec{E} = \frac{\left\{ \int_0^{\vec{E}} d(\vec{E} \cdot \vec{e}_y) \sin(\gamma_1 r) dr \right\}}{\left\{ \int_0^{\vec{E}} d(\vec{E} \cdot \vec{e}_y) \sin(\gamma_1 r) dr \right\}} \quad (2.86)$$

The distance at the cut-off level can then be expressed as

$$\rho_{\text{cut}} = \frac{(1 - \vec{E}) \cdot \vec{e}_y}{\left[\vec{E} + \vec{E}(\vec{E} \cdot \vec{e}_y - \cos \vec{E}) \right]} \quad (2.87a)$$

For the simple implicit method, and

$$x^{n+1} = \left(\frac{1-\beta}{1+\beta} \frac{1-\cos(\Delta t)}{1+\cos(\Delta t)} \right) x^n + \beta x^n \quad (3.37a)$$

for the Crank-Nicolson method. Finally, the amplification factor, defined as the ratio of x^{n+1} and x^n , may be related to β as

$$A = \left| \frac{x^{n+1}}{x^n} \right| = \left| 1 - \frac{\beta(1-\beta)}{1+\beta(1+\cos(\Delta t))} \right| \quad (3.38a)$$

and

$$A = \left| \frac{1-\beta(1+\cos(\Delta t))}{1+\beta(1+\cos(\Delta t))} \right| (1-\beta) \quad (3.38b)$$

for Eqs (3.37a) and (3.38a), respectively.

Since

$$\left| \frac{1-\beta(1+\cos(\Delta t))}{1+\beta(1+\cos(\Delta t))} \right| \leq 1, \quad \left| \frac{1-\beta}{1+\beta(1+\cos(\Delta t))} \right| \leq 1$$

for all β and Δt , the stability condition holds in the entire of $(1-\beta)$ if β versus Δt plot is like given in Figure 4.1. It is found that the integration of the Green's function in the numerator of Eq. (3.38) yields at $x=0$. If $\gamma=0$, the denominator of Eq. (3.38) is constant so that β is always less than or equal to one. On the other hand, if γ is not equal to zero but remains small, β is peaked at a value that is slightly greater than one. However, it is independent of the time step. In any case, the condition of (3.38b) is met. It can then be

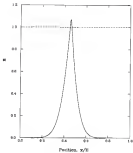


Figure 2.1. E versus x plot

ensured that the amplification of our mode is greater than the prevailing tendency of its oscillations to a stable solution.

When a numerical scheme is developed for the solution of the Stefan problem, it is necessary that the numerical solution converges to the true solution. For numerical solutions using finite difference methods, convergence analysis is usually accomplished through the application of the fundamental equivalence theorem of Lau. According to this theorem, a numerical scheme is considered to be convergent if and only if the scheme is stable and consistent. In the superposition method, the θ problem is solved by a finite difference method, while the V -problem is solved by an analytical method. The numerical scheme will be stable and consistent if both the θ - and the V -problems are stable and consistent. It has been well established that the finite-difference equations, (2.45), for the θ problem are consistent with their differential-equation counterpart in (2.44). The solution of the θ -problem is exact up to its (2.45). In (2.46), the velocity of the interface is approximated as a finite-difference. It is obvious that this equation is also consistent. Thus the entire solution of the θ problem is consistent with the original governing equations. As it is also stable for all time steps, convergence is thus assured.

It should be noted that the above analyses have been carried out on the basis of linearized equations. The nonlinearity effects remain to be investigated. The only clue to such an numerical experiment seems to test the stability (Chapter 5).

3.3. Extension to Multi-Dimensional Stefan Problems

The analysis developed above for the solution of one dimensional Stefan problem will now be extended to the solution of multi-dimensional Stefan problems. Again, the phase change is considered to be diffusion driven i.e. a PDE having constant and equal properties in different phase regions.

3.3.1. Solution to two dimensional Cartesian system

For phase change in a two dimensional Cartesian system, the governing equation, initial, and boundary conditions are, respectively,

$$\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial z^2} \quad ; x > x_0 \quad ; 0 \leq y \leq D \quad (3-88)$$

$$T(x, y_0) = T_0(x, y) \quad (3-89)$$

$$k \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} \Big|_{x=x_0} = h_0 [T_{\infty} - T_{m0}] = q_0 \quad ; 0 \leq y \leq D \quad (3-90)$$

Following Aral (1988) the interface position (Figure 3-12) can be expressed in the x direction as

$$x = x_0 + \xi \quad (3-91)$$

Then the interface temperature and flux conditions become

$$T_0(x, y) = T_0(x, R, t) = T_m \quad (3-92)$$

$$\left[1 + \frac{(Ry)^2}{(2D)^2} \right] \left[\frac{\partial T_0(x, y, t)}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial T_0(x, R, t)}{\partial y} \right] = \frac{\partial T_0(x, y, t)}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial T_0(x, R, t)}{\partial y} \quad (3-93)$$

The governing equations for the equivalent problem become

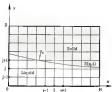


Figure 2.2 System analyzed is a two dimensional Cartesian coordinate system

$$H_0^2 = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} + \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A(n, 0) \varphi_n(\xi), \quad (2.36)$$

Application of the superposition method

$$T(x, y, z) = U(x, y, z) + V(x, y, z) \quad (2.37)$$

leads to the solution of two problems, for which the U -problem satisfies

$$H_0^2 U = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} + \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A(n, 0) \varphi_n(\xi), \quad 1 < x < \infty, \quad (y, z) \in R, \quad (2.38)$$

$$U(x, y, y_0) = T_d(x, y), \quad (2.39)$$

$$k_1 \frac{\partial U}{\partial x_{y_0}} + k_2 (U_{y_0} - T_{y_0}) = 0, \quad x \in L, \quad y_0 \in R, \quad (2.40)$$

For the V -problem, the governing equations are

$$H_0^2 V = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} + \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A(n, 0) \varphi_n(\xi), \quad x > x_0, \quad (y, z) \in R, \quad (2.41)$$

The (x, y, z) , boundary, and interface conditions for the V -problem are

$$V(x, y, y_0) = 0, \quad (2.42)$$

$$k_1 \frac{\partial V}{\partial x_{y_0}} + k_2 (V_{y_0} - 0) = 0, \quad x \in L, \quad y_0 \in R, \quad (2.43)$$

$$V_d(x, z, 0) = V_d(x, y, z) = T_{y_0} - U(x, y, z), \quad (2.44)$$

As discussed previously in Section 4.3.5, the T -problem can be solved by **FEM**. For a two-dimensional problem, it can be solved efficiently by an alternating direction implicit (ADI) method which has been established to be unconditionally stable for all time steps. In this method, the temperatures in x - and y -directions are calculated alternately. The finite difference equations are

$$\begin{aligned} &= T_p^{n+1/2} \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x \Delta y} + (1 - 2\Delta t \kappa_p) T_{i,j}^{n+1/2} - \Delta t \kappa_p \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} = \Delta t \kappa_p T_{i,j-1}^{n+1/2} + \Delta t (1 - 2\Delta t \kappa_p) T_{i,j}^{n+1/2} + \Delta t \kappa_p T_{i,j+1}^{n+1/2} \\ &= T_p^{n+1} \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x \Delta y} + (1 + 2\Delta t \kappa_p) T_{i,j}^{n+1} - \Delta t \kappa_p \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} = \Delta t \kappa_p T_{i,j-1}^{n+1} + (1 - 2\Delta t \kappa_p) T_{i,j}^{n+1} + \Delta t \kappa_p T_{i,j+1}^{n+1} \end{aligned} \quad (2.184)$$

where $\Delta x = \frac{\Delta x_0}{N_x}$ and $\Delta y = \frac{\Delta y_0}{N_y}$. These finite difference equations can be solved by using the tridiagonal system of linear algebraic equations by means of an efficient tridiagonal solver.

The solution of the T -problem can be expressed again in terms of a Green's function as

$$T_{\text{in}}(x, t_1) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx' \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dy' \int_0^{t_1} dt \int_0^{\infty} d\tau G(x, t_1 | x', t; y, \tau) \phi(x', y, \tau) \quad (2.185)$$

The unknown pulsation curve $\phi(x, t_1)$ is then determined implicitly by the following equation

$$T_{\text{in}} - G(x, t_1 | x_1) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx' \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dy' \int_0^{t_1} dt \int_0^{\infty} d\tau G(x, t_1 | x', t; y, \tau) \phi(x', y, \tau) \quad (2.186)$$

In this effort, since the interface F is a function of both x and t , Eq.(2.108) can not be solved directly for δ . The difficulty lies in the fact that a two dimensional searching for the position is necessary if this position is to be found iteratively alternatively, an assumption of the δ function to represent the interface position will be necessary if this position is to be found analytically. However, in the analytical solution, the accuracy of the result depends greatly on the forms of the functions that is actually assumed for approximation. In my view, the interface position can not be determined easily.

To overcome these problems, a new approach is developed by splitting the two dimensional problem into an array of transversely related one dimensional problems. In this approach, the second partial differential of V with x in (2.108) is changed to a finite difference as

$$\frac{\partial^2 V(x,y,t)}{\partial x^2} = \frac{V(x+\Delta x,y,t) - 2V(x,y,t) + V(x-\Delta x,y,t)}{\Delta x^2} \quad (2.109)$$

Then, by taking a position with subscript i so that $V(x,y,t)$ is changed to $V_i(x,y,t)$ and $V(x+\Delta x,y,t)$ to $V_{i+1}(x,y,t)$, Eq. (2.108) can be re-written as follows

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial^2 V_i(x,y,t)}{\partial x^2} &= \frac{\partial^2 V_i(x,y,t)}{\partial x^2} + \frac{V_{i+1}(x,y,t) - 2V_i(x,y,t) + V_{i-1}(x,y,t)}{\Delta x^2} \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^N \frac{\partial^2 V_i(x,y,t)}{\partial x^2} + \frac{V_{i+1}(x,y,t) - 2V_i(x,y,t) + V_{i-1}(x,y,t)}{\Delta x^2} \quad (2.110) \end{aligned}$$

Equation (3.108) represents a group of parametric related one dimensional problems which can be solved by means of the Green's function using a time matching scheme. In this scheme, the last two terms on the right hand side of Eq. (3.108) can be collectively taken as source terms. Then with the help of some initial condition and homogeneous boundary conditions imposed in the V -problem, the solution of V can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} V_{\alpha}(x, t_1) = & \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\partial G}{\partial x} (x, t_0) (V_{\alpha,0}(x)) dx \\ & + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \int_{t_0}^{t_1} v_{\alpha}(x', t) W_{\alpha}(x, t_1) (x', t) dt \end{aligned} \quad (3.109)$$

where

$$v_{\alpha}(x', t) = \frac{V_{\alpha,0}(x', t) - \partial V_{\alpha,0}(x', t) / \partial x + \partial V_{\alpha,0}(x', t) / \partial t}{2\alpha^2} \quad (3.110)$$

It is still not possible to solve Eq. (3.109) because of the function $v_{\alpha}(x, t)$ which depends on $V_{\alpha,0}(x)$. Some additional work is necessary, and one may be able to do it as he expand g about t_0 as

$$v_{\alpha}(x, t) = v_{\alpha,0}(x, t_0) + \frac{\partial v_{\alpha,0}(x, t_0)}{\partial t} (t - t_0) + \dots, \quad t_0 \leq t \leq t_1 \quad (3.111)$$

If higher order terms are neglected, then g can be expressed as

$$v_{\alpha}(x, t) = v_{\alpha,0}(x, t_0) + \frac{\partial v_{\alpha,0}(x, t_0)}{\partial t} (t - t_0) \quad (3.112)$$

Using Eqs. (3.105) and (3.106) permits the first term on the right-hand side of that equation to drop out. As for the second term, it can be shown from (3.105) that

$$\frac{\partial \psi(\mathbf{r}, t)}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \left[\frac{\partial \psi(\mathbf{r}, t)}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial \psi(\mathbf{r}, t)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \psi(\mathbf{r}, t)}{\partial t} \right] \quad (3.107)$$

Then with the help of the initial condition given in (3.42), Eq. (3.106) can be used to rewrite (3.105) as

$$\frac{\partial \psi(\mathbf{r}, t)}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \left[\frac{\partial \psi(\mathbf{r}, t)}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial \psi(\mathbf{r}, t)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \psi(\mathbf{r}, t)}{\partial t} \right] \quad (3.108)$$

It then follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(\mathbf{r}, t) &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[\frac{\partial \psi(\mathbf{r}, t)}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial \psi(\mathbf{r}, t)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \psi(\mathbf{r}, t)}{\partial t} \right] dt \\ &+ \frac{1}{2\pi i} \left(\psi(\mathbf{r}, 0) - \psi(\mathbf{r}, 0) + \psi(\mathbf{r}, 0) \right) \end{aligned} \quad (3.109)$$

where

$$\psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[\frac{\partial \psi(\mathbf{r}, t)}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial \psi(\mathbf{r}, t)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \psi(\mathbf{r}, t)}{\partial t} \right] dt, \quad t > 0 \quad (3.110)$$

In practice, a first-order approximation is sufficiently accurate to solve the problem at hand. For the first-order approximation

$$\psi(\mathbf{r}, t) \approx \psi(\mathbf{r}, 0) \quad (3.111)$$

Then, from (5-18),

$$A_0 d^2 T/dz^2 = 0 \quad (5-19)$$

and T can be obtained by solving a couple equations as

$$T_0(z, r, \psi) = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \left[G(z, r, \psi) / \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} + 1 \right) \right] \right\} \quad (5-20)$$

5.4.2 Solution in cylindrical coordinate system

The governing equation for heat diffusion in a two dimensional cylindrical system can be written as follows

$$\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial z^2} = \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial r} \right) \quad (r = r_0, \quad 0 < z < \infty) \quad (5-21)$$

In writing the main, appropriate initial and boundary conditions as well as the interface conditions must be specified. For the phase change in cylindrical coordinates, two types of the interface motion will be addressed—the phase-change interface may be moving in z -direction (Figure 5-3), and the phase change interface may be moving in r -direction (Figure 5-4).

In the former, the interface position may be expressed as

$$R = R_0 + \delta \quad (5-22)$$

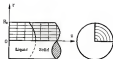


Figure 5.3: System analyzed in cylindrical coordinates:
Interface area in r -direction

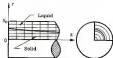


Figure 5.4: System analyzed in cylindrical coordinates:
Interface area in θ -direction

Then, the interface condition can be written as

$$F(\bar{\rho}, \bar{\theta}, \bar{\rho}_0, \bar{\theta}_0) = T_m \quad (3.132)$$

$$\left[1 + \left(\frac{\partial \bar{\theta}}{\partial \bar{r}} \right)^2 \right] \left[\frac{\partial \bar{\theta}}{\partial \bar{r}} \bar{\rho} - \frac{\partial \bar{\rho}}{\partial \bar{r}} \bar{\theta} \right]_{\bar{r}=\bar{r}_0} = \frac{\bar{\rho}(\bar{r}_0)}{\bar{\rho}_0} \frac{\partial \bar{\theta}(\bar{r}_0)}{\partial \bar{r}} \quad (3.133)$$

In the latter, the interface position may be expressed as

$$\bar{r} = \bar{R}(\bar{\theta}, \bar{\rho}) \quad (3.134)$$

Then, the interface condition can given by

$$F(\bar{\rho}, \bar{\theta}, \bar{\rho}_0, \bar{\theta}_0) = T_m \quad (3.135)$$

$$\left[1 + \left(\frac{\partial \bar{\theta}}{\partial \bar{r}} \right)^2 \right] \left[\frac{\partial \bar{\theta}}{\partial \bar{r}} \bar{\rho} - \frac{\partial \bar{\rho}}{\partial \bar{r}} \bar{\theta} \right]_{\bar{r}=\bar{R}} = \frac{\bar{\rho}(\bar{R})}{\bar{\rho}_0} \frac{\partial \bar{\theta}(\bar{R})}{\partial \bar{r}} \quad (3.136)$$

In the method of superposition, the temperature is decomposed as

$$T(\bar{r}, \bar{\theta}, \bar{\rho}) = T_0(\bar{r}, \bar{\theta}) + T_1(\bar{r}, \bar{\rho}) \quad (3.137)$$

Here, the T_0 -problem satisfies the same governing equation for T as in

Eq. (3.130), and the corresponding boundary and initial conditions

This problem can be solved by a finite difference method as

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\rho}_{i,j}^{(n+1)} - \bar{\rho}_{i,j}^{(n)} &= \Delta \bar{r} (\bar{\rho}_{i,j+1}^{(n)} - \bar{\rho}_{i,j-1}^{(n)}) \\ &\quad + \bar{\rho}_0 (\bar{\theta}_{i,j+1}^{(n)} - \bar{\theta}_{i,j-1}^{(n)}) + \Delta \bar{\rho} (\bar{\rho}_{i,j+1}^{(n)} - \bar{\rho}_{i,j-1}^{(n)}) \end{aligned} \quad (3.138)$$

where $\bar{\rho}_0 = \frac{\partial \bar{\rho}}{\partial \bar{r}}|_0$, $\bar{\rho}_0^{(1)} = \frac{\partial \bar{\rho}}{\partial \bar{r}}|_0^{(1)}$ and $\bar{\rho}_0^{(2)} = \frac{\partial \bar{\rho}}{\partial \bar{r}}|_0^{(2)}$.

Equation (2.126) can be solved either by an explicit method by setting $\bar{\psi} = \bar{\psi}^0$ on the right hand side, or by an implicit method by setting $\Gamma \cdot \bar{\psi}^{\text{new}}$ on the same side. In any event, the solution is unique.

The F-problem can be solved by the Green's function method. Again, the interface flux condition is incorporated into the governing equation. Thus, for the case of interface moving in the x -direction, the governing equation becomes

$$\frac{\partial^2 \bar{\psi}}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial^2 \bar{\psi}}{\partial t^2} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\bar{\psi}^2 \frac{\partial \bar{\psi}}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial \bar{\psi}}{\partial t} \right) A_0 - \bar{\psi} \gamma, \quad (2.127)$$

The governing equation is split into two directions, above & below the interface which is now in the x -direction. This reduces the F equation to the following

$$\frac{\partial^2 \bar{\psi}}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial^2 \bar{\psi}}{\partial t^2} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial \bar{\psi}}{\partial t} \right) A_0 + \bar{\psi} \gamma, \quad (2.128)$$

where

$$A_0(x,t) = \begin{cases} \frac{\bar{\psi} \frac{\partial \bar{\psi}}{\partial x} - \bar{\psi}^2 \frac{\partial \bar{\psi}}{\partial x}}{\bar{\psi} \frac{\partial \bar{\psi}}{\partial x}} + \frac{\bar{\psi} \frac{\partial \bar{\psi}}{\partial t} - \bar{\psi}^2 \frac{\partial \bar{\psi}}{\partial t}}{\bar{\psi} \frac{\partial \bar{\psi}}{\partial x}}, & \text{for } x \neq 0 \\ \frac{4\bar{\psi} \frac{\partial \bar{\psi}}{\partial x} - \bar{\psi}^2 \frac{\partial \bar{\psi}}{\partial x}}{\bar{\psi}^2 \frac{\partial \bar{\psi}}{\partial x}}, & \text{for } x = 0 \end{cases} \quad (2.129)$$

As described in Section 2.4.1, the first-order approximation of $\bar{\psi}_0$ leads to a very simple approximation as

$$A_0(x,t) \approx A_0(x), \quad A_0 \approx 0 \quad (2.130)$$

The V problem can be solved as

$$V_j(x, y_k) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty_0}^{\infty_0} \frac{\partial R}{\partial t} G_j(x, y_k) (R_{j,t}(t)) dt \quad (3-133)$$

Similarly, the normal-order approximation of q_j results in the following equation

$$q_j(x, y_k) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty_0}^{\infty_0} \frac{\partial R}{\partial t} G_j(x, y_k) (R_{j,t}(t)) dt + W_j \quad (3-134)$$

where

$$W_j = \begin{cases} \frac{2\alpha_1 \alpha_2 + 2\alpha_1 \alpha_2}{2\alpha_1 \alpha_2} x + \frac{2\alpha_1 \alpha_2 + 2\alpha_1 \alpha_2}{2\alpha_1 \alpha_2} y, & \text{for } x \neq 0 \\ \frac{2\alpha_1 \alpha_2 + 2\alpha_1 \alpha_2}{2\alpha_1 \alpha_2}, & \text{for } x = 0 \end{cases} \quad (3-135)$$

and

$$q_k = \int_{-\infty_0}^{\infty_0} (-y_k) \frac{\partial R}{\partial t} G_j(x, y_k) (R_{j,t}(t)) dt, \quad x = i(x_k) \quad (3-136)$$

For the case of the interface moving in the x -direction, the governing equations of the equivalent problem is given by

$$k \frac{\partial R}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 R}{\partial x^2} + k \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial R}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty_0}^{\infty_0} R(-R_t, R) \quad (3-137)$$

Again, the governing equation is split into two directions. Also then, a finite difference method is used in the x -direction. The V equation becomes

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 \langle \rho^2 \rangle}{\partial t^2} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \left(\frac{\partial^2 \langle \rho^2 \rangle}{\partial t^2} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \left(\frac{\partial^2 \langle \rho^2 \rangle}{\partial t^2} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \left(\frac{\partial^2 \langle \rho^2 \rangle}{\partial t^2} \right) \quad (3.134)$$

since

$$\frac{\partial^2 \langle \rho^2 \rangle}{\partial t^2} = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \left(\frac{\partial^2 \langle \rho^2 \rangle}{\partial t^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \langle \rho^2 \rangle}{\partial t^2} \right) \quad (3.135)$$

The first-order accurate solution of the T -problem is readily obtained as

$$T_1(r, t) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \mathcal{R}_2(\mathcal{R}_2(r, t) | \mathcal{R}_1, \rho) dt \quad (3.136)$$

and the second-order accurate solution can be derived as

$$\begin{aligned} T_2(r, t) &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \mathcal{R}_2(\mathcal{R}_2(r, t) | \mathcal{R}_1, \rho) dt \\ &\quad + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \left(\frac{\partial^2 \langle \rho^2 \rangle}{\partial t^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \langle \rho^2 \rangle}{\partial t^2} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (3.137)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{R}_2 &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \right) \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \mathcal{R}_2(\mathcal{R}_2(r, t) | \mathcal{R}_1, \rho) dt \\ &\quad \text{etc., etc.} \end{aligned} \quad (3.138)$$

3.4.2 Restrictions to three-dimensional Cartesian systems

The governing equations of a Stefan problem in a three-dimensional Cartesian system takes the form

$$H_{\text{int}}^{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 \Gamma}{\partial \beta^2} + \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial \beta} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 \Gamma}{\partial \beta^2}, \quad \beta > \beta_0, \quad |\alpha_{\text{int}}| \ll 0. \quad (3.142)$$

The interface position is expressed as

$$x = R(\alpha_{\text{int}}, \beta)$$

Then, the interface condition can be written as (Finn, 1986)

$$\left[\gamma = \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial \beta} + \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial \beta} \right] \left[\frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial x} \right] = \gamma \frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial \beta} \quad (3.143)$$

With the use of the superposition method, the temperature is decomposed as

$$T(x, \beta) = T_0(x, \beta) + T_1(x, \beta) \quad (3.144)$$

in which the E-problem satisfies a governing equation that is of the same form as (3.142) and satisfies homogeneous initial and boundary conditions. The finite difference equation for the E-problem can be derived as

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial^2 T_1}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T_1}{\partial \beta^2} &= \frac{\partial T_0}{\partial \beta} \frac{\partial T_0}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial T_0}{\partial \beta} \frac{\partial T_0}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial T_0}{\partial \beta} \frac{\partial T_0}{\partial x} \\ &+ \frac{\partial T_0}{\partial \beta} \frac{\partial T_0}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial T_0}{\partial \beta} \frac{\partial T_0}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial T_0}{\partial \beta} \frac{\partial T_0}{\partial x} \\ &+ \frac{\partial T_0}{\partial \beta} \frac{\partial T_0}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial T_0}{\partial \beta} \frac{\partial T_0}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial T_0}{\partial \beta} \frac{\partial T_0}{\partial x} \end{aligned} \quad (3.145)$$

where \mathcal{E}_x , \mathcal{E}_y and \mathcal{E}_z have been defined previously. This equation can be solved by using an iteration procedure such as Gauss-Seidel and SOR method, or by a modified ADI method.

Again, the ∇ -problem can be solved by a direct's function method. In this method, the separated problem can be written as

$$\frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{E}_x}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{E}_x}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{E}_x}{\partial z^2} + \frac{1}{\Delta t} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right) \mathcal{E}_x = F) \quad (3.14f)$$

Then, by using a finite difference method in both x - and y -directions, Eq (3.14f) can be re-written as

$$\frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{E}_x}{\partial x^2} \Delta x^2 + \frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{E}_x}{\partial y^2} \Delta y^2 + \frac{1}{\Delta t} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right) \mathcal{E}_x = F) + \mathcal{L}_x \mathcal{E}_x \quad (3.14g)$$

where

$$\mathcal{L}_x \mathcal{E}_x = \frac{\mathcal{E}_{x+1,j} - 2\mathcal{E}_{x,j} + \mathcal{E}_{x-1,j}}{\Delta x^2} + \frac{\mathcal{E}_{x,j+1} - 2\mathcal{E}_{x,j} + \mathcal{E}_{x,j-1}}{\Delta y^2} \quad (3.14h)$$

With the help of the homogeneous initial condition for the ∇ -problem, the first-order accurate approximation of $\mathcal{E}_{x,j}$ leads to a very simple relation as

$$\mathcal{L}_x \mathcal{E}_x / \tau \approx \mathcal{L}_x \mathcal{E}_x / \Delta t = 0 \quad (3.15a)$$

and the solution of the ∇ -problem follows as

$$\mathcal{E}_{x,j}(k, \Delta t) = \frac{1}{\tau} \int_0^{\Delta t} \frac{\partial \mathcal{E}_x}{\partial t} \mathcal{E}_{x,j} dt + \mathcal{L}_x \mathcal{E}_x / \tau \Delta t \quad (3.15b)$$

In a similar fashion (see Section 2.4.1), the second-order accurate approximation of $p_{1,2}$ leads to a solution as

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_{1,2}(n, t_k) = & \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \frac{\partial \tau_{1,2}}{\partial t} (t_k, t_k) \tau_{1,2}(t_k, t_k) \right. \\ & + \frac{\partial \tau_{1,2}}{\partial x_1} \left(\tau_{1,2}(t_k) - \tau_{2,2}(t_k) + \tau_{2,1}(t_k) \right) \\ & \left. + \frac{\partial \tau_{1,2}}{\partial x_2} \left(\tau_{1,2}(t_k) - \tau_{2,2}(t_k) + \tau_{2,1}(t_k) \right) \right\} \end{aligned} \quad (2.102)$$

where

$$\tau_{1,2}(t_k) = \int_{t_k}^{\tau_{1,2}(t_k)} \left\{ \tau_{1,2} \frac{\partial \tau_{1,2}}{\partial t} \frac{\partial \tau_{1,2}}{\partial x_1} \tau_{1,2}(t_k, t_k) \tau_{1,2}(t_k, t_k) \right\} \\ \text{etc., etc., etc.} \quad (2.103)$$

Linear stability analysis

For initial-boundary problems, the explicit truncation of the second partial differentiation may impose additional constraints on the stability of the solution. Due to the difficulties associated with the uniformity of the problem, the stability can not be tested by explicit analysis. However, some comments can be made as follows.

It is well known that the solution of F is unconditionally stable as for the T , since it always starts with a homogeneous initial condition, the disturbance (error) of T will not accumulate.

The only source of error that may be brought into the V -problem is FIG. 2, which is used to find the interface position in this iteration, because of the use of the Green's functions. Disturbance in the integral will not be magnified but will be suppressed. In the other hand, the disturbance in the V solution can still be brought to the V -problem through the superposition principle. However, this disturbance can still be suppressed by the δH method in the solution for the temperature in the succeeding time step. It is thus expected that any disturbance will not grow in the solution, and, as a result, the method is numerically stable. It is noted that the discussion above is not meant to be rigorous. Practical experience for a two-dimensional problem (See Chapter 5) will be provided later for tests.

3.2 Application to Latent Heat Thermal Energy Storage Systems

For the phase change problems solved in the preceding sections by the source-and-sink method, the boundary conditions have been applied directly to the phase change material. In practice, the phase change material may be heated or cooled by a fluid which is in motion itself. A conjugate heat transfer problem thus results. In this problem, the fluid temperature is only given at the inlet. Both the wall and the fluid exit temperatures are unknown.

The conjugate heat transfer problems will be solved in Sections 3.3 and 3.4. Analysis for fluid flow in a straight parallel channel of phase change material will be studied first. Analytic for a simple study for this problem will be given in Chapter 5.

3.1.1 Problem Formulation

A thermal energy storage (TES) unit is sketched in Figure 3.1. This unit can be selected for analysis as shown in Figure 3.2. It consists of a straight parallel channel surrounded by PCM. Heat transfer fluid (HTF) is forced to flow through the channel and it exchanges heat with the PCM. It is a time-dependent phase-change problem coupled with conjugate forced convection. The governing equations for the forced convection in the HTF and the heat diffusion in the PCM must be solved simultaneously. The solution for heat transfer in the PCM has been covered in the previous sections. Help the convection problem and the matching condition need to be described in this section.

Analysis of forced convection for channel flow can be accomplished by solving the Navier-Stokes equations and the energy equation. However, a direct numerical simulation of the Navier-Stokes equations is time consuming. In addition, for a conjugate problem, an iteration is necessary to satisfy the boundary condition at the fluid/PCM interface, which further adds to the complexity of the solution. An alternative approach is taken that uses empirical correlations for the boundary of the heat transfer at the fluid side. This permits the use of convective heat transfer coefficients. While the accuracy of the result depends on the accuracy of the empirical correlations, the uncertainty is comparable with that introduced in the turbulent model. With this effect, the fluid temperature in the channel can be modeled as a function of position and time and coupled by solving the following equations:

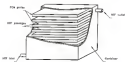


Figure 3.4: A schematic drawing for thermal energy storage unit.

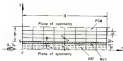


Figure 3.5: Simplified system for analysis

$$\frac{\partial T_f}{\partial t} + E \frac{\partial T_f}{\partial x} = \frac{h(T_f - T_{ad})}{\rho_f c_f} \quad (3-156)$$

At the inlet,

$$T_f(0, t) = T_{ad}(t) \quad (3-157)$$

In these equations, T_f is the mean mass temperature of the fluid, E is the mass velocity, h is the convective heat transfer coefficient, d is the half width of the channel, and ρ_f and c_f are the density and the specific heat of the fluid, respectively. In the derivation above, the Biot number is taken to be large, so that the heat diffusion in the x direction can be neglected.

In the conjugate problem Eq. (3-154) is to be solved in conjunction with the phase-change problem about ice/water has been given previously. If the heat conduction in the wall direction is the channel wall and the heat storage in the wall are negligibly small, heat transfer by convection from the fluid to the wall must be equal to the heat that is supplied to the FCB through its lower boundary face,

$$h(T_f - T_{ad}) = -k \left. \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} \right|_{y=y_0} = q_0 \quad (3-158)$$

where y_0 is the lower boundary of the FCB (see Figure 3-4). Using an electrical analogy, the temperature at this boundary can be related to the temperature at the inner surface of the channel wall by the relation

$$T_w = T_c + h_w h_m \dot{Q}_w \quad (3.137)$$

since h_w and h_m are the thickness and the conductivity of the wall, respectively.

The heat transfer coefficient h is taken from the literature. In this regard, the Nusselt number for a fully developed laminar flow varies from 7.54 for constant wall temperature to 8.24 for constant wall heat flux condition (Kays and Crawford, 1980). There is a lack of correlation for turbulent flow in a straight channel, but is often made of an empirical equation developed by Gnielinski (1975) as

$$Nu_D = \frac{f/16 Re_D Pr}{1 + (f/16 Re_D)^{1/4} Pr^{1/4} + 0.05} \quad (3.138)$$

where f is the friction factor, which is related to the Reynolds number as

$$f = (0.79 \ln Re_D + 1.62)^{-2} \quad (3.139)$$

In these equations, both the Nusselt number and the Reynolds number are defined as

$$Nu_D = \frac{h D_h}{k_f} \quad , \quad Re_D = \frac{\rho U_m D_h}{\mu} \quad (3.140)$$

where D_h is the hydraulic diameter of the channel. It is noted that Eq. (3.138) is strictly valid for a circular pipe with any boundary (constant wall temperature or flux) imposed on the boundary. The

Prandtl number is in the range of 0.5 to 1,000, while the Reynolds number is in the range of 1,000 to 10^6 . It is adapted for use in the straight channel by redefining the dimensionless numbers in terms of δ_0 as shown in (2.140).

3.3.1 Relaxation method

In the conjugate problem, the heat flux at the channel wall and the temperature in the FBR and the fluid are all unknown. To satisfy the matching conditions (2.138)–(2.140), it is necessary to use an iteration. However, as discussed by Barrow and Englehart (1995), even for a simple steady state conjugate problem without phase change, instabilities may be encountered during the iteration process. Convergent results can only be obtained if the initial guesses are sufficiently close to the true values.

To alleviate these problems, the heat flux in the third case in (2.140) is expressed in terms of T_1 , the temperature at the first grid point above the boundary of the FBR at y_1 (Figure 2.6). Then,

$$kT_1 - T_w = -\frac{T_1 - T_w}{R} \quad (3.141)$$

where R represents the overall thermal resistance per unit area,

$$R = \frac{1}{h} + \frac{\delta_0}{k_c} + \frac{\delta_0}{k_f} \quad (3.142)$$

It is noted that, in the numerical solution, all the unknown positions

δ is less than Δp , which is the grid spacing in y direction, then the T_1 in Eq. (3.161) is replaced by T_m , the photo-charge temperature, and the Δp is changed to δ .

The energy equation (3.160) can then be written as

$$\frac{\partial T_1}{\partial t} + U \frac{\partial T_1}{\partial x} + \frac{T_1 - T_2}{\epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 \rho \delta^2} = 0 \quad (3.162)$$

This equation can be solved by using a first order accurate explicit finite difference scheme as

$$T_1^{n+1} = \frac{T_1^n + U \delta T_{1,x}^n + \delta_1 T_2^n}{1 + \delta_1 + \delta_2} \quad (3.163)$$

where

$$\delta_1 = \frac{\delta U \delta t}{\epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 \rho \delta^2}, \quad \delta_2 = \frac{\delta t}{\epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 \rho \delta^2}$$

The temperature imposed at the surface of the PCB follows as

$$T_s = \frac{\delta T_{1,x} + \delta_2 T_2}{\delta_1 + \delta_2} \quad (3.164)$$

where

$$\delta_1 = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{\delta_2}, \quad \delta_2 = \frac{\delta t}{\epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 \rho \delta^2} \quad (3.165)$$

The surface temperature given in (3.164) will then be used as the boundary condition for the solution of the photo-charge problem

3.3.3 Energy conservation law

For the solution of the complete problem given in this section, we use mainly data from the matching conditions between the FCR and the RFT. Some experimental data are usually unavailable. For example, the accuracy of the numerical solution developed in this section will be tested by means of an energy conservation that is based on an open-system thermodynamic analysis.

For the heat transfer of channel flow between parallel walls of phase change material without heat and work interaction with the surroundings, the first law of thermodynamics can be written as

$$\dot{E}_{in} - \dot{E}_{out} = d\dot{E}_{int}/dt \quad (3.107)$$

where the \dot{E}_{in} refers to the energy rate associated with the fluid flow entering the channel and \dot{E}_{out} refers to the energy rate associated with the fluid flow leaving the channel. The term on the right hand side represents the rate rate of change of the internal energy inside the control volume. For the problem under investigation, there are energy changes in the FCR, the wall, and the fluid

For a time period of Δt , the left hand side of Eq-(3.107) can be expressed as

$$\dot{E}_{in} - \dot{E}_{out} = \int_{t_0}^{t_0 + \Delta t} (\dot{Q}_w \rho_w \bar{c}_p T_w - T_w \rho_w \bar{c}_p) dt \quad (3.108)$$

while the right hand side can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned}
 \dot{d}E_{\text{tot}} = & \sum_{\text{PCB}} \dot{E} \left(\int_{\text{PCB}} \int_{\text{PCB}} \rho \left(\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v} \right) \right. \\
 & + \int_{\text{PCB}} \left(\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v} \right) \\
 & + \int_{\text{PCB}} \rho \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v} \left(\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v} \right) \\
 & \left. + \int_{\text{PCB}} \rho \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v} \left(\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v} \right) \right)
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3.104}$$

Here, the energy balance in (3.103) is formulated on the basis of discharge of heat from the PCB. The PCB, the wall, and the fluid are at the same initial temperature T_0 , and the channel has a width W . Each PCB plate has a thickness 2δ . Under these conditions, the first term on the right of (3.104) refers to the energy associated with the change of the kinetic heat of the PCB. The second term refers to the energy associated with the plate change. The third term accounts for the energy change in the enclosing wall, and the last term refers to the energy associated with the change of the temperature of the HT inside the channel. For an accurate numerical solution of the problem, the left hand side of (3.104) should be equal to the right hand side of the same equation. This energy conservation will be used to check the accuracy of a numerical experiment to be presented in Chapter 5.

3.1 Application to Magnetized FCR-ES Systems

In the preceding sections, the phase change material analyzed is in the form of a phase slab. When the heat transfer fluid is flowing over the surfaces of the slab, the plane of symmetry can be taken to be the half thickness of the slab as shown in Figure 3.6. In alternative form of the phase change material as one that is encapsulated in spheres as shown in Figure 3.7. This section is devoted to the analysis of the phase change in packed spheres.

3.1.1.Particle boundaries

The system under investigation is sketched in Figure 3.8. A tank is packed with magnetized FCR spheres. Heat transfer fluid enters through the bottom of the tank, exchanges heat with the FCR by forced convection, and exits from the top of the tank. It is assumed that, in the HTF, the temperature only varies in the z direction while, in the encapsulated spheres, the temperature only varies in the r direction as shown in Figures 3.6 and 3.7. Other assumptions that are related to the phase change analysis earlier will apply.

For the analysis of the heat transfer in the HTF, the control volume is taken to have a thickness that is equal to the diameter of the packed sphere (Figure 3.8). The energy equation for the fluid can be written in terms of the mass temperature T_f and mass velocity G as:

$$\rho_f G \int_0^R \left(\frac{\partial T_f}{\partial z} + z \frac{\partial T_f}{\partial t} \right) + h A_p (T_f - T_s) = 0, \quad T_f = T_{fp}(z) \quad (3.19)$$

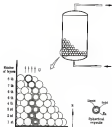


Figure 3.7 A schematic drawing for the accelerated sedimentation test (22) (23).

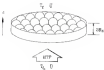


Figure 3.4 Control volume for fluid analysis

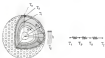


Figure 3.5 Boundary conditions for PCM/HTF analysis

above, in addition to those that have been defined previously: T_s is the surface temperature of the sphere, T_f is the volume of the free space in a packed layer, and A_s is the total surface area of the spheres that are in contact with the fluid. For a single sphere of radius R_s , the surface-to-volume ratio is given by the simple relation

$$\frac{A_s}{V_s} = \frac{3}{R_s} \quad (2.17)$$

which also holds for multiple spheres in a packed layer. Thus, by using a solid fraction μ , definition the ratio of the free volume V_f to the total volume V_s , Eq. (2.16) can be rewritten as

$$\frac{\partial T_f}{\partial t} + \mu \frac{\partial T_s}{\partial t} + \frac{h_0 - \rho_0^0}{\rho_0 \mu R_s} (T_s - T_f) = 0 \quad (2.17)$$

This equation is equivalent to that derived by Schwan (1988) and Egan (1988) for packed rock beds. For the present problem, the initial and boundary conditions for the fluid are given as

$$T_f(0,0) = T_{in}, \quad T_f(R,0) = T_{out}(t) \quad (2.18)$$

As for the spheres, the governing equation, initial, boundary, and interface conditions have been given in Section 2.4.4. These equations must be solved in conjunction with (2.17) for heat transfer analysis. As before, the solution of the fluid and the PDE are to be matched at the surface of the spheres by the relation

$$h(T_s - T_f) = -k \frac{dT}{dr} \bigg|_{r=R_p} = h_p \quad (2.174)$$

In this effort, the convective heat transfer coefficient h for the packed spheres is obtained by curve-fitting the experimental data of Gao *et al.* [1992] as

$$Pe = 11 + 0.06Pe \quad (2.175)$$

where, Pe is the Peclet number $(Re \cdot Pr)$. The Reynolds number is defined on the basis of the diameter of the sphere and the average velocity of the fluid as

$$Re = \frac{D \cdot (3Q_p/4)}{\mu} \quad (2.176)$$

The heat transfer coefficient can then be evaluated by means of the Nusselt number as

$$h = \frac{Nu \cdot k_f}{D_p} \quad (2.177)$$

where k_f is the conductivity of the fluid

2.8.3. Solid-state model

Instead of the conjugate problem for fluid flow in a packed sphere bed, following the same line described earlier for channel flow. In this case, it is assumed that the heat storage in the sphere wall is negligibly small so that the heat transfer from the fluid to the sphere can be expressed in terms of the temperature difference between the fluid and the first solid point that is located inside the surface

of the PCB as

$$k(T_f - T_d) = \frac{T_c - T_f}{R_{\text{wall}}} \quad (3.178)$$

For the spherical PCB the total thermal resistance based on the surface area of the sphere is

$$R = \frac{1}{k} + \frac{R_{\text{wall}}}{R_0(R_0 - R_1)} + \frac{R_{\text{wall}}}{R_1(R_1 - R_0)} \quad (3.179)$$

where k_w is the conductivity of the sphere wall, R_0 is the radius of the PCB and R_1 is the radius of the sphere (see Figure 3-5). Equation (3.178) can then be written as

$$\frac{kT_f}{R} + \frac{\partial T_f}{\partial t} + \frac{k(T_c - T_f)}{R_{\text{wall}}(R_0 - R_1)}(T_f - T_d) = 0 \quad (3.180)$$

As before, in the numerical solution, if the substrate position l is greater than r_p , the clock model point position that is inside the surface of the PCB, but is less than R_0 , the radius of the PCB, then T_c in Eqs. (3.178)-(3.180) is replaced by T_m and r_p is changed to R_0 .

Equation (3.180) can be solved by using an explicit finite difference scheme as

$$T_f^{n+1} = \frac{T_f^n + \delta_1 T_d^{n+1} + \delta_2 T_c^n}{1 + \delta_1 + \delta_2} \quad (3.181)$$

where T_d is the temperature of the fluid at the inlet of the control

values as shown in Figure 3.4, and

$$A_1 = \frac{R_1^2 \delta T_1}{2k_1}, \quad A_2 = \frac{R_2^2 (\delta T_2 - \delta T_1)}{2k_2 \rho_2 \beta_2 \delta T_1^2} \quad (3.183)$$

The temperature at the surface of the PCM can then be evaluated as

$$T_s = \frac{A_2 T_2 + A_1 T_1}{A_1 + A_2} \quad (3.184)$$

where

$$A_1 = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{R_1^2}{4k_1} \left(\frac{1}{R_1} - \frac{1}{R_2} \right), \quad A_2 = \frac{R_2^2}{4k_2} \left(\frac{1}{R_1} - \frac{1}{R_2} \right) \quad (3.184)$$

This temperature is to be used as the boundary condition for the solution of the phase change in the PCM as described in Section 3.3.3.

3.3.3 Energy conservation test

As mentioned in Section 3.3.2, errors for the conjugate problem arise only due to the matching conditions between the PCM and the HTF. Since experimental data are usually unavailable for comparison, the accuracy of the numerical solution developed in this section will be tested by means of an energy conservation test, as based on an open-system thermodynamic analysis.

For the heat transfer of fluid flow in packed spheres inside a tank without heat and work interaction with the surroundings, the first law of thermodynamics can be written as

$$\dot{E}_{\text{out}} - \dot{E}_{\text{in}} = \frac{d}{dt} \mathcal{E}_{\text{tot}}(t) \quad (2.185)$$

where the \dot{E}_{in} refers to the energy rate associated with the field flux entering the tank and \dot{E}_{out} refers to the energy rate associated with the field flux leaving the tank. The term on the right hand side represents the time rate of change of the internal energy inside the control volume. For the present vector investigation, there are energy changes in the PCB, the shell of the PCB sphere, and the fluid.

For a time period of t , the left hand side of Eq.(2.185) can be expressed as

$$\dot{E}_{\text{out}} - \dot{E}_{\text{in}} = \int_{\partial V} \text{div}(\mathbf{T} \cdot \mathbf{J}^T \mathbf{J} - \mathbf{T}) \cdot \mathbf{J} \, dV \quad (2.186)$$

while the right hand side can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \mathcal{E}_{\text{tot}} = & \frac{d}{dt} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \int_{\partial V} \left(\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} \right) (\mathbf{T} \cdot \mathbf{J}^T \mathbf{J} - \mathbf{T}) \cdot \mathbf{J} \, dV \right. \\ & + \frac{1}{2} \int_V \left(\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} \right) (\mathbf{T} \cdot \mathbf{J}^T \mathbf{J} - \mathbf{T}) \cdot \mathbf{J} \, dV \\ & + \left. \frac{1}{2} \int_V \left(\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} \right) (\mathbf{T} \cdot \mathbf{J}^T \mathbf{J} - \mathbf{T}) \cdot \mathbf{J} \, dV \right\} \\ & + \rho \frac{d}{dt} \int_V \left(\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{T} \cdot \mathbf{J}^T \mathbf{J} - \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{T} \cdot \mathbf{J} \right) \, dV \end{aligned} \quad (2.187)$$

Here, the energy balance is formulated on the basis of discharge of heat from the PCB. The PCM , the shell, and the fluid are at the same initial temperature T_0 , and the tank has a height H and a radius R_0 . The number of spheres in the tank is N which is related to the volume fraction of the PCB spheres as

$$N = (\text{volume fraction of spheres}) \frac{\text{volume of the tank}}{\text{volume of a sphere}}$$

Under these conditions, the first term on the right of (2.105) refers to the energy associated with the change of the annular heat of the PCM . The second term refers to the energy associated with the phase change. The third term accounts for the energy change in the spherical shell of the PCM spheres, and the last term refers to their energy associated with the change of the temperature of the MF inside the tank. It is expected that, for an accurate numerical solution of the problem, the left hand side of (2.105) should be equal to the right hand side of the same equation. This energy conservation will be used to check the accuracy of a numerical experiment to be presented in Chapter 8.

CHAPTER 6 THE MECHANICAL PHASE-CHANGE EXPERIMENT

In this chapter, an experiment is described for the purpose of validating the numerical solutions described in the previous chapter. The experimental setup, method of measurements, and data reduction are discussed in detail.

6.1. Equipment and Basic Observations

The objective of the experiment is to validate the numerical solutions developed in the previous chapter. Since there is lack of data for two dimensional phase change, experimental measurements become necessary. In this effort, the interface motion is visualized and measured. The measured interface position is then compared with the predicted position for validation of the numerical solution.

It has been well established in phase-change studies that the interface position provides the best indication for the solution error. Comparison of the temperature field is often misleading even if the interface position is insignificantly in error. This is due to the fact that, for a phase change problem, the boundary and interface conditions can be satisfied exactly. This leaves little room for the temperature. In a sense, the temperature provides little resolution for discussing the numerical solution error.

For facilitate characterization of the interface position, a test cell of the configuration of a rectangular parallelepiped is constructed. Paraffin wax is chosen as the phase change material because of its very narrow melting range or nearly distinct melting point (Lane, 1988). It also possesses the desired characteristics of becoming translucent in visible light upon phase change from solid to liquid state. The interface position can thus be measured by illuminating the wax with an translucent light source and recording the interface position on photographic films by means of a camera. The thermophysical properties of the paraffin wax are summarized in Table 4.1 (source: Lane, 1988), in which, the melting point listed as the results of experimental measurements that are specifically performed for the study designed in this work.

Table 4.1 Thermophysical properties of paraffin wax

Properties		Solid	Liquid
Melting point	($^{\circ}\text{C}$)	227	-
Heat of fusion	(kJ/kg)	98.6	-
Specific heat	($\text{kJ/kg } ^{\circ}\text{C}$)	2.14	2.05
Conductivity	($\text{W/m } ^{\circ}\text{C}$)	0.28	0.24
Density	(kg/m^3)	760	688

In the experiments, the wax is heated electrically. The apparatus is designed so that the boundary condition can be controlled precisely. Procedures are thus made to maintain the prescribed temperature at the heated side of the wax while keeping the other boundaries of the wax insulated. Since an assumption has been

accounted for in the previous analysis, correction to the shifted wet wall is suppressed in the experiment. This achieves the handling of the wet front above, effectively determining the front curvature.

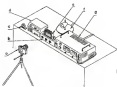
The large density difference between the solid and the liquid wet (see Table 4.1) provides another source that is related to the expansion of the wet open glass design. Another provision is then made to permit the wet to overflow due to volume change. The experiment is now discussed in detail in the section that follows.

4.2. Experimental Setup and Measurements

4.2.1. The setup

The test setup is provided as a sketch given in Figure 4.1. It consists of three major components: the test cell [4], the light source [5], and a camera [6], as elaborated below.

The test cell as shown is an assembly drawing given in Figure 4.2 and as explained else above in Figure 4.3. The test cell consists of $2\phi(R)\phi(R)+4(R)$ mm. It consists of a master design (i.e. Figure 4.2) covered by double rolled transparent heavy window (γ,δ) on the front and back sides. To minimize the movement back from front glass window, outer window (δ) are attached from the side inner window (γ) by a small gap (3-650mm). A small Rayleigh number of 30 is found for the gap, providing justification of use of a two dimensional heat transfer analysis for the cell (more justification in follow). To test the phase change material, a heater [7] is provided at the top of the



- a. Camera
- b. Temperature control console
- c. Timer
- d. Digital thermometer
- e. Test cell
- f. Light source
- g. Power supply

Figure 9.3 Test setup



Figure 4.2 Assembly drawing of the test cell

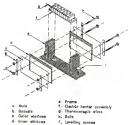


Figure 4-5 Exploded view of the test cell

cell. Heated by a 100 watt heater (4) as Figure 4.1), it is specially designed to incorporate several features as detailed below.

In cross section the drawing given in Figure 4.1, the heater is composed of three heating elements (5) which are individually wired to three connectors (6). The heater is affixed to the top of a copper plate (7), which keeps the temperature distribution uniform in the transverse direction while maintaining a graded temperature variation in the axial direction. Temperature transducers (8) are attached to the lower side of the copper plate so that they measure the temperature exposed to the phase change material when the heater is in place in the cell. The four holes (9) located at the two ends of the plate are lined up with identical holes provided in the flanges of the cell (4). These holes are for vent purposes so that, when the phase change material expands, the material can be vented through these holes to the small cavity formed between the flange and the inside front wall.

Baffle van has been used as the phase change material. It is poured into the cell through the hole at the base of the front (4) as Figure 4.2). The cell is placed in an upright position with the heater at the top during tests. This causes the van to be heated from above, a position which effectively suppresses flow convection correlations in the cell. As a further provision for minimizing convection, screens (1) in Figure 4.2) are used to adjust the subcooled position so that the interface is located at all times in the center of the experiment.

A non-transparent grid paper is attached to the inner cylinder facing the light source (1) in Figure 4.2). The grid paper serves dual

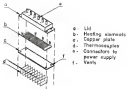


Figure 4.4 Exploded view of the heater

prisms of diffusing the light while also providing grid lines to measure the phase-change interface position. Finally, a camera (a in Figure 4-1) is used to record the images of the test during phase change.

4.2.2 Test procedure

From the experiment, the melting point of the wax is measured by using a thermometer. During the test, the digital thermometer readings are recorded once every 5 minutes and the interface positions are photographed once every 10 minutes. Because of the time delay that is unavoidable in recording temperatures from one thermocouple station to another, provision is also made to correct for the temperature variations due to spontaneous heating. During the time when the camera is not being used to record the interface position, the test cell is covered with an insulating shield panel to eliminate the convective heat loss from the cell.

4.3 Sample Results and Experimental Uncertainty

Sample pictures taken for the interface positions are shown in Figure 4.2. The interface positions are clearly visible. Also, because of the temperature lagged at the test being small, there are slight distortions of the interface close to the walls. As this occurs, the grid paper used has a scale of five divisions per centimeter. Repeated trials of recording the interface position over the background grids provides an averaging of position readings to be about 2 mm.



Figure 6.8 Bundle plot for relative position measurements

Since the measurements are highly accurate (better than ± 0.001), errors of the experiment can primarily arise from the (arbitrary) position reading.

CHAPTER 5 RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

In this chapter, numerical experiments will be provided for the validation of the solution methods described in Chapter 3. Numerical solutions of one dimensional Stefan problems will be discussed first. Results for such problems will be compared with exact solutions and the results published in the literature. Solutions of two dimensional problems follow next and they will be validated by comparing them with exact limiting cases and the experimental measurements described in Chapter 4. Finally, numerical results of the latent heat TFD system will be discussed.

5.1. Numerical Results of One Dimensional Problems

Eight test cases (Table 5-1) are presented for verifying the methods developed for the solution of the Stefan problems. Results are compared with analytical solutions as well as the solution methods described in the literature. Each solution and profile was have been tested about properly values was listed in Table 5-2. It is noted that the properties of the test are taken to be the average of the values of the solid and the liquid state as reported in Bellah and Ghaf (1988a).

5.1.1. Test of accuracy and stability

First to the test of the stability and accuracy for the numerical solutions developed in this work, the superposition concept

Table B-1 Cases tested for new dimensional surface problems

Test Case	Test Performed	Boundary and Initial Conditions (T in $^{\circ}\text{C}$, u_0 in m^2/s^2 , ν in m^2/s)	ICM and Remarks
1	Validation of the exponential method and test of stability and accuracy	$T_{\text{top}}=100$ $T_{\text{bot}}/T_{\text{top}}=0.5$	yes, one-phase melting in a semi-infinite domain
2	Further validation of the exponential method	$T_{\text{top}}=100+u_0^2$ and $T_{\text{bot}}=200+u_0^2$ or $100+u_0^2$ $T_{\text{top}}/T_{\text{bot}}=T_{\text{top}}$	elsewhere, one-phase melting in a semi-infinite domain
3	Further validation of the exponential method	$T_{\text{top}}=100$ or $\nu=0$, and $u_0=1$ or $\nu=0$ $T_{\text{bot}}=100+T_{\text{top}}$	yes, one-phase melting in a finite domain
4	Stefan number effect on interface position in finite domain	$T_{\text{top}}=100$ or $\nu=0$, and $u_0=1$ or $\nu=0$ $T_{\text{bot}}=100+100.4$ and 100	yes, two-phase melting in a finite domain
5	Test of stabilizing interface for long time intervals	$T_{\text{top}}=100$ or $100+100.4$ or $\nu=0$, and $T_{\text{bot}}=100$ or $\nu=0$ $T_{\text{top}}=T_{\text{bot}}+100$	yes, one-phase melting in a finite domain
6	Test of multiple interfaces in finite domain, one interface initiated from each side	$T_{\text{top}}=100$ or $\nu=0$, and $T_{\text{bot}}=100$ or $\nu=0$ $T_{\text{top}}=T_{\text{bot}}+100$	elsewhere, one-phase freezing in a finite domain
7	Test of multiple interfaces in finite domain, melting and freezing initiated at one side	$T_{\text{top}}=100$ or $100+u_0^2$ or $\nu=0$, and $T_{\text{bot}}=100$ or $\nu=0$ $T_{\text{top}}=T_{\text{bot}}+100$	elsewhere, one-phase melting and freezing in a finite domain
8	Test of interface in infinite space	$T_{\text{top}}=100$ $T_{\text{bot}}/T_{\text{top}}=0.5$	yes, one-phase melting of a sphere

Table 5.2: Properties of RQs analyzed

	Admission	Penetration
$V_{\text{max}} [\text{Å}]$	100	100
$L [\text{Å}]/\text{ns}$	100/10	100
$4 \langle R^2 \rangle / \text{ns}^2$	100	1/10
$\rho [\text{Å}^3/\text{ns}^3]$	1/100	100
$\sigma [\text{Å}^3/\text{ns}^3]$	1/2	1/10

is first tested by applying it to the solution of a Stefan-Boltzmann problem described in Test Case 1 (Sec. 6) in Table 5.1. For this problem, the exact solution is readily available. Also, the solution of this problem is a semi-infinite domain, $0 \leq (x, y, z) < (\infty, \infty, \infty)$, can be treated as the solution in a finite domain, $0 \leq (x, y, z) \leq (L, L, L)$, if the boundary conditions at the back side of the domain is chosen properly. Thus, a uniform Δx can be used for solution. As shown in Figure 5.1, the diverge profiles U and V can be superposed for T . There is a distinct interface position, which does not migrate in space. The superposition concept has thus been tested successfully.

Figure 5.2 shows the interface positions versus time for different values of Δt and Δx . In the top figure, a uniform grid of 100 points is used for the solution of U . In this effort, the time step varies from 10 to 100 μ , corresponding to the Fourier number $(\rho \Delta x^2 / \Delta t)$ from 10.0 to 100. As shown in this figure, the results converge well with a time step size as large as 100 μ .

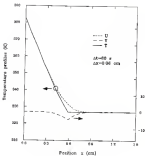


Figure 3.1 Temperature profiles of the superposition method

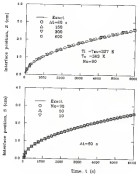


Figure B.2: Tests of accuracy and stability using different Δt and N_t

The bottom figure gives the interface positions for Δt equal to Δt_0 . Here, the order of grid points varies from 10 to 40. Again, the results are good in free, they are stable in shock waves. It is noted that the explicit method of solution employed here permits use of large time steps together with a coarse grid, which is not possible for explicit method of solution.

Efforts have also been made for identifying the case when the largest numerical error occurs. As shown in Figure 5-3, with Δt taken to be 40 and Δx varying from 40 to 400 μ , the largest error (1%) is always found at the first time step, which is consistent with the findings for the DSM as reported by Choi and Welch (1992). This percentage error is distributed rapidly (less than 1%) toward large time, a distinct feature for this method.

Case 3 (Table 5-1) provides a more thorough test of the implementation method based on the development of the numerical solution given in this work. In this case, time-varying temperature and flow conditions are imposed as a non-reflexive motion (slamming), which is initially considered (see Table 5-1). A two-phase melting case occurs and the numerical results are compared with the DSM results reported by Welch and Choi (1992a) and Chow (1992).

For Case 3, 40 numerical grids are used for the solution of $\bar{\theta}$, while the time step is taken to be 1 μ . The interface-position-versus-time results are shown in Figures 5-8 and 5-9. In Figure 5-8, the motion is imposed with a time-varying temperature condition, while in Figure 5-9, the motion is imposed with a time-varying flow condition. Numerical results are in good agreement with the DSM results obtained

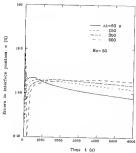


Figure 8.6: Error in the interface position for different Δt

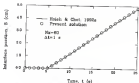


Figure 5.4 Interfacial profiles for isothermal temperature condition

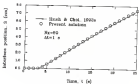


Figure 5.5 Interfacial profiles for shear-driven flow condition

by Birch and Chao (1985c), providing further evidence of the accuracy of the superposition method.

The third test case (Case 3 in Table 3.1) deals with a problem in a finite domain. In this case, the slab is initially stretched to a solid state with one side ($x=0$) insulated and the other side ($x=L$) exposed with a constant temperature condition. To compare the results with the published data given in the literature (Brenning and Solt, 1988), the following dimensionless groups are introduced

$$\begin{aligned} Bn &= \frac{(\bar{T}_m - T_m) L}{T_m^2}, & B &= \frac{T_m - T_\infty}{T_m - T_\infty}, \\ \tau &= \frac{t}{L^2}, & T &= \frac{T - T_\infty}{T_m - T_\infty}, & i &= \frac{x}{L} \end{aligned} \quad (3.1)$$

where Bn is the Stefan number and B is a subcooling factor. Brenning and Solt again used the same mesh as taken in the 1 cm thick divided into 36 grid points. The initial and boundary conditions listed in Table 3.1 are specially selected to yield a Stefan number of 0.5 and a subcooling number of 1, which have been used by Brenning and Solt in their original paper. Results are shown in Figures 3.8 and 3.9. In Figure 3.8, the dimensionless interface position is plotted as a function of the dimensionless time. The present results are in good agreement with Brenning and Solt's data as shown in this figure, at least a value of 1 of 0.5, which corresponds to 4000 s, for the slab to be melted completely. Figure 3.9 gives the dimensionless temperature history at the insulated side ($x=0$) of the slab. The melt temperature

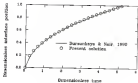


Figure 5-6 Scatterform position in a fluid domain

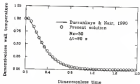


Figure 5-7 Temperature history at the insulated wall ($r=R$)

remains constant for a short while after time zero, signifying the time period when the heat has not penetrated through the depth of the wall. Then, the dimensionless temperature drops, indicating a temperature rise at the insulated side. Again, the results are in good agreement with the published data in the literature.

5.1.3 Adiabatic effect on the interface position

Case II provides a good test for the assessment of the effect of adiabatic on interface motion. The initial temperature of the wax in Case II is varied (400, 475.0, and 525 K) as listed in Case 1 (Table I-1) and the results are plotted in Figure 4.4 here. Similar solutions on a semi-infinite domain are also attempted and their results plotted as curves for comparison as shown in this figure. For a given insulated condition, the interface front is a finite domain (symbol) that follows that of a semi-infinite domain. Later, they depart from each other. Eventually, all curves for the finite domain (symbol) move at same speed, which is evidenced by their identical slope at large time. These phenomena can be explained as the fact that, once the surface is insulated initially, it takes time for the heat applied at $x=0$ to penetrate through the depth of the wall. Consequently, during the initial period of time to heat the wall, the heat transfer is a finite domain is equivalent to that of a semi-infinite domain with the same degree of adiabatic. Once the heat penetration through the wall not reaches the insulated boundary, the temperature at this boundary starts to rise. Then, the interface is a finite domain even on a heated surface at a higher speed. From section

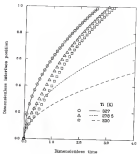


Figure 5.8 Interface positions for different ambient conditions

prescribed, the motion is a flexion double with each side ($x=0$) localized may be considered to be pre-localized prior to melting. Thus, for the final stage of melting, the motion is fully prescribed as the melting point, the position motion is a one-phase melting in a Ruckenstein-Sternberg problem.

3.1.3 Solution with oscillating interface

An interesting case arises when the wall is initially at the melting point but is solid state. For time greater than zero, the boundary at $x=0$ is exposed with a sinusoidal temperature condition such as at a level higher than the melting point of the motion. The boundary at $x=L$ is exposed with a constant temperature condition such is lower than the melting point of the motion. Case 3 represents such conditions and the results are plotted in Figure 3.3, where two curves are plotted for comparison. The dashed line represents the case when the boundary at $x=0$ is exposed to a constant temperature of 351 K . The solid curve represents the boundary exposed with a sinusoidal temperature, which differs from the previous condition by that time now has input. For both curves, the conditions at the other side ($x=L$) are identical. Clearly, because of the boundary conditions imposed, the interface position rapidly reaches a quasi-steady state. The solid curve fluctuates about the dashed curve, which eventually reaches the one-phase of the state. Though this dashed curve is a basis, there is approximately a 18 degree angle of phase delay. The interface oscillates at the same frequency as the imposed temperature input. The long-time steady solution presented here is believed to be the final

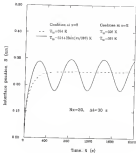


Figure 5-15: Test of oscillating interference

that addresses spatially-varying temperature variations accompanied by a phase change. A more detailed follow-up study is being made by Spivey and Burch (1990).

5.3.4. Interfacial wave propagation interface

Case 5 deals with a situation where the phase change is initiated from one side of the wall. A variation of that is the interface initiated from two sides of the wall; two cases (Cases 6 and 7) are included to address such problems as listed in Table 5.1. Case 6 is for solidification of a B on aluminum that initially is liquid state at low freezing point. Both sides of this disk are exposed with constant temperature conditions which are at the levels lower than the freezing point of aluminum. Phase change is then initiated from both of the boundaries and the interface wave moved with time as shown in Figure 5.10. Based on the Stefan number defined in (5.13), the boundary at $x=0$ is exposed with a Stefan number of 0.041, while the boundary at $x=l$ is exposed with a Stefan number of 0.126. For this problem, the interface motion can be analyzed by means of a one-phase Stefan-Boltzmann solution.

The superposition method is tested for this case as shown in Figure 5.11. The interface positions are plotted versus time as shown in Figure 5.12, where the numerical results are compared with the Stefan-Boltzmann solutions; the two interface fronts move independently of each other until they merge at 0.48 m. The results are in good agreement with the analytical solutions.

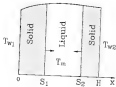


Figure 3.10 Sketch of double interfaces generated by conditions imposed on the boundaries

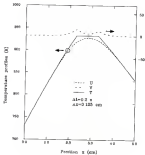


Figure 5.10 Temperature profiles for a double interface problem

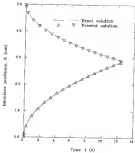


Figure 3.12: Interface position of a double-interface problem



Figure 8-12 Sketch of double interfaces generated by conditions imposed on one boundary

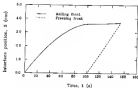


Figure 8-14 Interface positions of a melting-freezing problem

Case 7 deals with a different situation in that the phase changes are initiated from the inner side of the hemisphere in a glass melt. A thick cylinder wall is considered, which is initially at the melting point but is solid state. At time greater than zero, the boundary at $x=0$ is exposed with a time-varying temperature condition while the other at $x=R$ is insulated (see Table 3-1). Because of the continuous exposure, the solid first melts and then re-freezes as shown in Figure 3-12. The interface histories are plotted in Figure 3-14. Here, because of the rapid temperature drop at the boundary for time greater than 100 μ , the freezing front rapidly overtakes the melting front. This eventually merges at 166 μ , when the medium returns to its solid state.

3.3.3 Melting of a sphere

In all the cases performed above, the phase change has been considered in a Cartesian system. Case 8 deals with a non-dimensional phase change in a sphere which is initially at the melting point but is solid state. The surface is suddenly heated to a constant temperature greater than the melting point as described for this case in Table 3-5. There is no exact solution for this problem. Ball (1947) solved this problem by an integral method, and derived the lower and upper bounds for the interface position as given by the following formulas:

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{P} \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}(\frac{1}{2}\pi)^{1/2}} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} - \frac{R_0^2}{R^2} \left[1 - 3\frac{R_0}{R} + 3\frac{R_0^2}{R^2} + 3\frac{R_0^3}{R^3} - \frac{1}{2} \right] \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{4\sqrt{\pi}(\frac{1}{2}\pi)^{1/2}} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} - \frac{R_0^2}{R^2} \left[1 - 3\frac{R_0}{R} + 3\frac{R_0^2}{R^2} + 3\frac{R_0^3}{R^3} - \frac{1}{2} \right] + \frac{1}{2} \right\} \right\} \quad (3-1) \end{aligned}$$

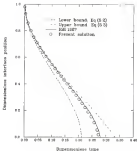


Figure 5.10: Interface prediction of system mixing

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 3 \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2\pi}} \left[\bar{S} + 2\bar{S}(1+\bar{S}) + 2\bar{S}^2 - 12\bar{S}^3 \right] \\
&\quad + (1-2\bar{S}^2)(1+2\bar{S}^2 + (1-12\bar{S}^2)^{1/2}) + (1-12\bar{S}^2)
\end{aligned} \quad (3.2)$$

where $\bar{S} = S/\delta S_0$, $\bar{S} = S/\delta S_0$, and $\delta = \delta S/\delta S_0$.

For the temperature conditions specified in Case 4, \bar{S} in Eqs. (3.2) and (3.3) are zero and the (a) only numerical results are shown in Figure 3.14, where the interface position predicted by the present method is in good agreement with the approximate solution results provided by Hill (1987). Also the curves stay within the bounds predicted by using Eqs. (3.2) and (3.3).

It should be mentioned that all the results presented above are solved by using a 4th/20 BC in the analytical solution of Eqs. (2.44), (2.45), and (2.46) involving infinite series, sufficient number of terms have been taken in the partial sum to ensure convergence (10^{-10}). The CPU time used in the computation of the one dimensional problems varies from a few seconds to several minutes.

3.3 Numerical Solution of Two-dimensional Problems

Results of two dimensional solutions are somewhat handicapped by the lack of literature data for comparison. Reference is thus made to some existing cases which provide for tests of stability and accuracy of solution. In the situations where such tests are unavailable, use is made of experimental measurements for comparison of the interface positions.

Table 5.8 Gauss tested for two-dimensional Stefan problems

Test Case	Test Performed	Boundary and Initial Conditions (T in $^{\circ}\text{C}$, x in mm , t in s)	PCMs and Processes (x in mm , t in ms)
1	Test of stability and accuracy	$T_{\text{top}} = 250$, $T_{\text{bot}} = \frac{100}{\sqrt{t}}$ as grid refine boundary condition $T_1 = T_{\text{top}}$, $T_2 = 250$	one, one-phase melting on a finite domain of $0 \leq x \leq 5$, $0 \leq t \leq 4$
2	Test of long time solution	$T_{\text{top}} = 250$ as grid fine boundary at $x = 10\sqrt{t}$, $T_{\text{top}}T_{\text{bot}} = 250 = T_{\text{m}}$	one, one-phase melting on a semi-infinite domain of $1.05 \leq x \leq 1.05$
3	Test of short time solution for comparisons with experimental data	T_{m} and T_1 taken from experimental measurement	one, one-phase melting on a finite domain of $0.0 \leq x \leq 0.5$, $0 \leq t \leq 0$
4	Test of multiple and redefining heat sources	$T_{\text{m}} = \begin{cases} 100 + 20x\sqrt{t}, & 0 \leq x \leq 0.005 \\ 100 + 20x\sqrt{t}, & 0.005 \leq x \leq 0.01 \\ 0, & 0.01 \leq x \leq 0.015 \end{cases}$ where $0.015 \leq x \leq 0.02$ and $0.02 \leq x \leq 0.025$ are $T_{\text{m}} = 100$ and $T_{\text{m}} = 100$	one, two-phase melting and freezing on a finite domain of $0 \leq x \leq 0.02$, $0 \leq t \leq 0.02$

5.2.1 Test of accuracy and stability

Case 1 (Table 5.1) tests the stability and accuracy by solving the phase change in a two dimensional domain illustrated in Figure 5.18. The bottom boundary is insulated with a space-variant temperature condition, while the other three sides are all insulated. The initially at melting point is a solid state is used for experiments.

To test the stability of solution, a 50x50 grid is used to solve the problem in x and y directions. The time step varies from 10 to 100 μ , which corresponds to dimensionless time steps (Peclet number) of 0.1 to 10. Figure 5.19 gives the numerical results for interface position histories at $x=0$ and $x=L/2$. Two groups of curves are plotted. In each group, the solid line is an analytical solution of a Stefan problem solved with a uniform temperature condition. This provides for the upper bound for the interface position at $x=0$ and the lower bound for the interface position at $x=L/2$. The dashed curves give the numerical results for the two dimensional problem. These dashed curves stay within the bounds. Most importantly, all dashed curves are smooth and converge easily irrespective of the values of the time step tested.

Figure 5.20 gives the interface position at a time equal to 1000 μ . Four different time steps are tested and the curves are smooth and convergent. No instability is encountered even with the use of a time step as large as 100 μ . It is then concluded that the explicit treatment of the partial differential in the x direction of the T position, Eq (5.102), does not introduce any instability in the solution. In two-dimensional problems, the time steps are determined



Figure 3.16. (System used in two-dimensional stabilizing test)

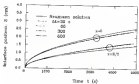


Figure 8.17 Interface positions at different times at $z=0$ and $z=0.05$.

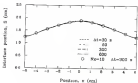


Figure 8.18 Interface position curves at $t=2000$ s for different Δz .

directly on the basis of the accuracy rather than the stability. This also serves to verify essentially the numerical code earlier at the end of Chapter 2.

It should be noted that the stability of the numerical solution demonstrated in this work is independent of the number of the grid points used in the x direction. A reduction of the number of the grids by a factor of four (David) and application of a time step of 200 μ grid units (circles) which fall right on the curves in Figure 5.18. This also serves to demonstrate the efficiency of the method.

5.3.3 Long-time solutions

Case 2 is intended for testing the convergence of the results in a long-time solution. As mentioned in Table 5.3, a value of radius of cylinder height initially introduced is used for cases 1 and 2. Temperature is constant at the bottom boundary while the lateral boundaries dissipate heat to ambient by convection (Figure 5.18). Heat transfer in the system is thus two dimensional. There is no exact solution of this Stefan problem. However, a steady-state solution can be derived as follows:

$$\frac{T - T_\infty}{T_m - T_\infty} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{H_n J_0^2(\beta_n^2 R^2)}{J_0^2(\beta_n^2 R^2) + \beta_n^2} \frac{\exp(-\beta_n^2 z)}{\beta_n} + \frac{h_0 R}{k} \exp(-\beta_0^2 z) \quad (5.4)$$

where $\beta_0 = h_0 R/k$ is the Biot number, and β_n 's are roots of

$$J_0(\beta_n R) = 0, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots \quad (5.5)$$

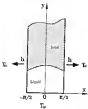


Figure 5.10 System used for long-time relaxation.

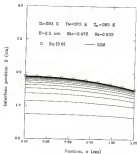


Figure S-30 Comparison of numerical and analytical solutions for a two-dimensional problem at long time

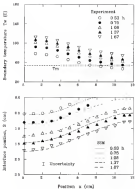


Figure 3.26: Comparison between numerical results and experimental data for two-dimensional phase change

from the experiment described in Chapter 4, while the bottom figure shows the position of the phase-change interface. The x axis for this lower figure is intentionally drawn up-sloping so that it conforms with the analysis (Figure 3.2). It is noted that, in the comparison, the x -direction is distributed into 30 elements and, once again, sufficient number of nodes are taken in the Green's function to ensure convergence (10^{-6}). As shown in this lower figure, the agreement between the experiment (symbols) and the analysis (curves) is good. There are small discrepancies only in the middle section of the curve which can be attributed to the location of the phase-change interface position. In the experiment, the freezing curves described in Section 4.2 are used to adjust the slope of the middle section of the interface curve. A leveling of this section of the curve equals the slope at the ends. As a result, the correction can not be totally eliminated from the test cell, causing the slight discrepancy between the prediction and the experiment.

5.3.4 Test for condensing fronts

A general case of multiple condensing fronts is tested as Case 4 (Table 5.2). An isobutane temperature to solid state is tested which is heated with a position- and time-variable condition as $g(x,t)$ (Figure 5.14) as follows:

$$T_{\text{air}}(x,t) = \begin{cases} (20 + 0.36x10^{-3})(1.5 - \frac{1}{2}t)(16000 - P^2), & 1 < 1600 \text{ s} \\ (20 + 0.36x10^{-3})(1.5 - \frac{1}{2}t)(14000 - P^2), & t > 1600 \text{ s} \end{cases} \quad (5.31)$$

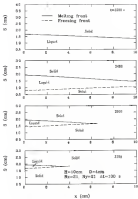


Figure 8.22 Interface position, during a two-dimensional melting-front position.

Here, the sign for the second term is changed so that, for time less than 500 s, the boundary temperature decreases in the x direction yet the local boundary temperature increases with time. However, for time greater than 500 s, this local temperature decreases with time. Hence the first term in both conditions refers to the melting point of the wax, $T_m(0.0)$ is greater than the melting point for time less than 500 s while it is less than the melting point for time greater than 500 s. The wax then melts and re-freezes again in the x direction, giving rise to a two dimensional multiple-melting-freeze problem.

The wax melts and re-solidifies as shown in Figure 3-28. The literature data have been available for comparison. Yet, the two dimensional interface motion are clearly visible due to the particular surface temperature conditions imposed.

3.2 Applications to the Photocopy Latent Heat Thermal Energy Storage System

In this section, numerical results of a sample latent heat TES unit will be presented. The unit is composed of stacked rectangular PCM plates with fluid passages in between (see sketch in Figure 3-3). The input data for analysis has been compiled in Table 3.4. The wax is precharged to 40°C. Since the melting point of the PCM is 52°C, the PCM is initially in a liquid state. Cold water at 20°C is pumped through the unit at three different flow rates: 1 gpm, 3gpm, and 5 gpm. The total amount of energy per stored in the wax is 43.5 BT. In the numerical tests, calculations ceased to run in the cold water temperature drops down to 40°C.

Table B.4 Input data for TDS analysis

PCB—$\text{Si}_3\text{N}_4/\text{PC}_2\text{N}_2$ (HTPZ)	
Conductivity, δ ($\text{W}/\text{m} \cdot \text{K}$)	0.4
Heat capacity, c ($\text{kJ}/\text{kg} \cdot \text{K}$)	1.1
Density, ρ (kg/m^3)	1,450
Latent heat, L (kJ/kg)	100
Boiling point, T_b ($^\circ\text{C}$)	73
PEP—Water	
Conductivity, δ_f ($\text{W}/\text{m} \cdot \text{K}$)	0.58
Heat capacity, c_f ($\text{kJ}/\text{kg} \cdot \text{K}$)	4.18
Density, ρ_f (kg/m^3)	1,000
Initial liquid temperature, T_i ($^\circ\text{C}$)	40
HT initial temperature, $T_d(\text{h}, \text{d})$ ($^\circ\text{C}$)	20
Water flow rate, \dot{Q} (g/min)	1,000
Other specifications—	
PCB length, H (μm)	3
PCB width, W (μm)	0.1
PCB half thickness, D (μm)	0.02
Channel width, W_c (μm)	0.01
Radius of PCB pores, R	0
Coating cell thickness, δ_m (μm)	0.0

The accuracy of the external radiation is tested by means of the energy conservation described in Section 2.3.5. A comparison of the left and right hand side of Eq. (3.107) is shown in Figure 5.28. For all the flow rates from 1 gpm to 3 gpm, the maximum error is found to be about 2% at the end of the process, which provides a good indication of the accuracy of the present model.

The water exit temperatures during the discharge process are plotted in Figure 5.29. For a flow rate of 1 gpm, the exit ramp for 100 minutes before the exit temperature drops down to 40°C. For a flow rate of 2 gpm, it works for 80 minutes, and for 3 gpm, it works for 70 minutes. Out of the 40.8 kJ energy initially stored in the tank, the energy extracted from it is 35.6, 34.1, and 33.8 kJ for the flow rate of 1, 2 and 3 gpm, respectively. It is noted that, as the temperature curves shown in Figure 5.29, the slope of the curves changes continuously. This is believed to be the result of the release of the latent heat from the PCM.

The temperature distribution in the PCM at 3-gpm flow rate is shown in Figure 5.30. It should be noted that the plots are re-plotted to make them easy to read; the topmost figure shows the position of the interface in the PCM after 20 minutes of energy discharging. At that time, the lower region of the PCM is solidified where there is a large temperature gradient (see the dense temperature contours). The upper region remains in the liquid state. The solid/liquid interface can be identified by the sharp change of the density of the isotherms. At 40 minutes (second figure), the left part of the PCM is completely solidified and is uniform at phase-change temperature. The liquid

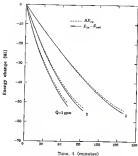


Figure 5.22 Test of energy conservation

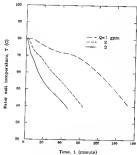


Figure 8.34 Retort wall temperature at different flow rates

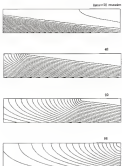


Figure 8.66: Contours in a half PCB plate

region decreases as wire until the PDE is completely satisfied (bottom figure). After that, only possible loss remains in the cell.

3.4 Application to Regenerated PDE TES Systems

Numerical results for the regenerated PDE TES system will be discussed in this section. The input data for the PDE, the HEP, and the working conditions are the same as those listed in Table 3.4. Only the specifications are different, which are listed in Table 3.5. The parametric study will explain the effects of the HTT flow rate, and the diameter and the thickness of the PDE shell on the thermal performance of the TES.

Table 3.5 Specifications of Regenerated TES unit

Height of tank, H (m)	1.1
Radius of tank, R_t (m)	0.34
Overall void fraction, ν	0.4
Diameter of sphere, $2R_s$ (cm)	2, 3, 4
Shell thickness, $R_s - R_p$ (cm)	0.2, 0.3, 0.4

The accuracy of the numerical results is estimated from the mass of the energy concentration as described in Section 3.2.2. In this test, the diameter of the balls is taken as 3 cm, and the thickness of the shell is 0.2 cm. A comparison of the two calculations

of the average change from Eqs (3.146) and (3.157) is shown in Figure 3.28. It is found that, for all the flow rates tested (3 gpm to 3 gph), the maximum error is approximately 3%. The numerical results are thus accurate.

Parametric study results will be discussed next. In Figure 3.27, the water exit temperature is plotted versus time for three flow rates. As expected, for a lower flow rate, the exit operation is longer. For a higher flow rate, the exit operation is shorter. However, the total amount of energy extracted from the exit remains almost the same.

The effect of the ball diameter on the water exit temperature is shown in Figure 3.29. For the three diameters tested (2 cm to 4 cm), the thickness of the shell is taken to be constant at 0.2 cm. As expected, for a ball of small diameter, because of the presence of the shell, the volume fraction of the PFR is smaller. As a result, less energy can be stored in and extracted from the ball. As the ball diameter is increased, the volume fraction of the PFR increases correspondingly. However, a large ball is penalized for the smaller exit-to-inlet volume ratio. The heat transfer rate is thus lower, as shown in Figure 3.28.

The effect of the shell thickness is shown in Figure 3.30. It may be said that the main drawback of using a thick shell is the reduction of the volume fraction of the PFR. For example, for a ball of 3 cm diameter, when the shell thickness is increased from 0.2 cm to 0.3 cm, the volume occupied by the PFR is reduced by 34.3%. This greatly reduces the energy that can be stored in the exit, as clearly shown in Figure 3.28.

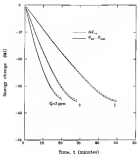


Figure 5-38 Test of energy conservation

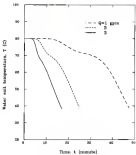


Figure S 27 Water cell temperature at different flow rates

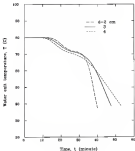


Figure 3-25 Solar cell temperature for different cell diameters

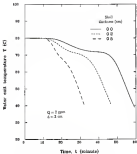


Figure 8.28 Water exit temperature for different shell thicknesses

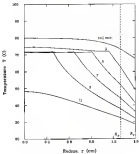


Figure 3.30 Temperature profile in the PCM and the shell

It is also informative to compare the temperature distribution in the FCB ball (see Figure 8.30). Here, the impact curve refers to a situation when the FCB is still in the liquid state even though it is steep change of the temperature slope in the ball. Phase change takes place at 8 through 9 minutes. The interface never fused with time. At 21 minutes, the FCB has completely solidified—only sensible heat is being extracted from the ball.

8.6. Visualization of Simulation Results

To graphically visualize the operation of the latent heat FCB system, two plotting post-processors are developed using a QuickBASIC language. Sample outputs of the post-processors from a computer screen are shown in Figures 8.31 and 8.32. From the graphics, the interface position, the time ratio, the melt water temperature, the available energy left in the melt, and other system information can be viewed simultaneously.



Figure 5.11 Post-processing for a two-dimensional TID scan



Figure 5.22 Performance for an evaporated TES unit

CHAPTER 2 CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Based on the analysis and results of the present work, the following conclusions can be drawn:

1. A source-independent method has been developed for the solution of multidimensional phase-change problems. The method has been shown to be accurate by comparison with exact analysis and experimental measurements. In the source-independent method, only one set of equations is required to solve for the temperatures in both liquid and solid phase regions.

2. The success of the present method relies on the use of superposition techniques. The validity of the superposition method for the solution of Stefan problems with constant and equal properties in different phases has been rigorously analyzed. In the superposition method, the solution of the Stefan problem was superimposed by a finite difference method, which was used to calculate the temperature distribution due to the initial and boundary conditions, and an analytical solution, which was used to track the interface position and to update the temperatures due to the motion of the interface. For multi-dimensional problems, a hybrid scheme was developed which combines an analytical solution in one direction and a finite difference method in another direction. With these efforts, a new

searching scheme was developed with which both short time and long time solutions can be obtained;

The stability of the solution methods for one and two dimensional Stefan problems was analyzed and numerically tested. The instabilities were managed in the tests even for very large time steps. Thus providing assurance of stable and managed solutions.

3. In the hybrid method of solution, the subdividing and superdividing conditions can be handled numerically. It is not necessary to divide the solution into pre-melting, melting, pre-freezing, and freezing stages. Furthermore, the initial condition can be arbitrary and nonuniform, and the domain of solution can be finite and non-circular. In this work, the effects of subdividing on the interface positions in a finite system have been studied. Problems with oscillating interfaces resulting from discontinuous boundary conditions have also been solved.

4. With the use of multiple images and sink method, multiple interfaces resulting from periodic melting and freezing are considered in the discharging/recharging processes of a latent heat TES unit were successfully calculated. Cooling/heating fronts in a two dimensional melting and freezing problem with multiple phase regions were also investigated.

5. A two dimensional phase change experiment was conducted for testing the accuracy of the numerical solutions of the numerical method. An analytical solution was used for the test of accuracy for long-time solutions. In both cases, the interface positions were used

for comparison. Numerical results were in good agreement with the experimental measurements as well as the analytical solution.

2. Applications of the solution methods to the calculation of latent heat thermal energy storage units were discussed. Two conjugate heat transfer problems were solved for the prediction of thermal performance of two TES units. The first unit was composed of parallel channels formed by stacked PCM plates, and was solved as two dimensional conjugate problem. The second unit was unperforated PCM unit consisting of packed PCM spheres. In both cases, the accuracy of the numerical method was tested by means of energy conservation based on an asymptotic thermodynamic analysis. It has been shown from the numerical results presented in Chapter 5 that the present methods were accurate and efficient.

Preliminary studies of the unperforated TES unit were also attempted. The effects of the flow rate, the diameter and the shell thickness of the PCM spheres on the thermal performance were analyzed. Two post-processors for graphical visualization of the TES system performance were also developed.

The following are recommended for further work:

1. The source-code which solves with superposition technique will be extended to the solution of three dimensional phase-change problems such as laser cutting, drilling, and surface hardening.

2. The properties of the PCM in the present analyses have been considered as constant and equal in different phase regions. In the

future work, useful properties for different phase regions will be derived by using double sources and sinks as suggested in Kolodziej (1988). The variation of the thermal conductivity with temperature will also be accounted for by using Kirchhoff transformation if convection does not appear on the boundary.

5. In the present analysis, the source-sink-sink method requires the formulation of the Green's functions. In the case when the Green's function can not be analytically formulated, a configuration scheme that combines the source-sink-sink method and the boundary element method reported recently (Jinich, 1992) can be used. In the boundary element methods, the Green's three space solutions can be used to replace the Green's functions which strongly rely on the geometry of the domain as well as the boundary conditions.

APPENDIX 3
SOLUTION OF EQUATIONS (2.55) AND (2.52)

In Cartesian coordinate system, the deformed temperature T is given by (see Eq. (2.52))

$$T(x, y) = \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \right) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\partial \bar{G}_0}{\partial \bar{x}} \bar{G}_0(x, y) \bar{G}_0(x, y) dy \quad (A.1)$$

In a Fourier domain, the Green's function for a temperature condition imposed at $x=0$ is given by (see Eq. (2.52))

$$\bar{G}_0(x, y) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} \bar{G}_0^{(n)}(x, y) \quad (A.2)$$

Here,

$$\bar{G}_0^{(n)} = \begin{cases} \frac{\partial^n}{\partial x^n}, & \text{for a temperature condition at } x=0 \\ \frac{\partial^n}{\partial y^n}, & \text{for a flux condition at } x=0 \end{cases}$$

Substituting (A.2) into (A.1) yields the following for solution

$$T(x, y) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \bar{G}_0^{(n)} \bar{G}_0^{(m)}(x, y) \quad (A.3)$$

where

$$\bar{G}_0^{(n)} \bar{G}_0^{(m)} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\partial \bar{G}_0}{\partial \bar{x}} \bar{G}_0^{(n)} \bar{G}_0^{(m)}(x, y) dy \quad (A.4)$$

For a small δt , it is assumed that the interface velocity is constant from t_0 to t_1 . Thus,

$$R_0^*(t) = R_0(t_0) + v(t - t_0) \quad (4.4)$$

where $v = \frac{dR_0}{dt}$. It follows that $dR = vdt$, and $R_{0,1}(k, t_0)$ can be transformed as

$$R_{0,1}(k) = e^{-iR_0^*(k)t_0} \int_{R_0^*(k)}^{R_{0,1}(k)} \left(\frac{1}{R_0^*} \right) \sin(R_0^* k) dR_0^* \quad (4.5)$$

This equation can be integrated and the result is given by

$$\begin{aligned} R_{0,1}(k) = & e^{-iR_0^*(k)t_0} \left\{ \frac{e^{iR_0^*(k)t_0}}{iR_0^*(k)} \left(\cos(R_0^* k) \sin(R_0^* t_0) - \cos(R_0^* t_0) \sin(R_0^* k) \right) \right. \\ & \left. - \frac{e^{iR_0^*(k)t_0}}{iR_0^*(k)} \left(\cos(R_0^* k) \sin(R_0^* t_0) - \cos(R_0^* t_0) \sin(R_0^* k) \right) \right\} \quad (4.6) \end{aligned}$$

After rearrangement, $R_0(k, t)$ can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} R_{0,1}(k) = & \frac{e^{iR_0^*(k)t_0}}{iR_0^*(k)} \left(\cos(R_0^* k) \sin(R_0^* t_0) - \cos(R_0^* t_0) \sin(R_0^* k) \right) \\ & - e^{iR_0^*(k)t_0} \left(\cos(R_0^* k) \sin(R_0^* t_0) - \cos(R_0^* t_0) \sin(R_0^* k) \right) \quad (4.7) \end{aligned}$$

This completes the derivation of Eq. (3.10).

For a thin medium as such, the Green's function is given by (see Eq. (3.11))

$$C_{\alpha}(x) \langle \sigma_i \sigma_j \rangle = C_{\alpha} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} x^n (-1)^{n+1} \cos(\beta_n x) \cos(\beta_n x) \quad (4.9)$$

Since,

$$C_{\alpha} = \begin{cases} \frac{8}{\pi} & \text{for a temperature condition at } x = 0, \\ \frac{1}{\pi} & \text{for a flux condition at } x = 0, \end{cases} \quad \beta_n = \begin{cases} \frac{(2n-1)\pi}{2L} & \text{for a temperature condition at } x = 0, \\ \frac{n\pi}{L} & \text{for a flux condition at } x = 0. \end{cases}$$

Substituting (4.9) into (3.4) yields the following for solution

$$T(x, y, z) = C_{\alpha} \int_0^y \int_0^z dt + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} C_{\alpha} \beta_n^{n-1} \cos(\beta_n x) \quad (4.10)$$

where

$$C_{\alpha} \beta_n = \int_{x_0}^x \frac{d\beta}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{\beta} \right) e^{-\beta y} e^{-\beta z} \cos(\beta_n x) d\beta \quad (4.11)$$

By following the same line as derived in (4.5)–(4.8), Eq. (4.11) can be written as

$$C_{\alpha} \beta_n = e^{-\beta_n y} e^{-\beta_n z} \int_{x_0}^{(x)} \left(\frac{1}{\beta} e^{-\beta y} e^{-\beta z} \cos(\beta_n x) \right) d\beta \quad (4.12)$$

Thus equation can be integrated and the result is given by

$$\begin{aligned} C_{\alpha} \beta_n &= e^{-\beta_n y} e^{-\beta_n z} \left\{ \frac{e^{-\beta_n y} e^{-\beta_n z}}{(-\beta_n y - \beta_n z)} \left[\cos(\beta_n x) \cos(\beta_n x_0) + \beta_n \sin(\beta_n x) \sin(\beta_n x_0) \right] \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{e^{-\beta_n y} e^{-\beta_n z}}{(-\beta_n y - \beta_n z)} \left[\cos(\beta_n x) \cos(\beta_n x_0) + \beta_n \sin(\beta_n x) \sin(\beta_n x_0) \right] \right\} \quad (4.13) \end{aligned}$$

After rearrangement, Eq. (3.33) can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} C_{\mu\nu}(z) &= \frac{1}{(\alpha' z^2)^2} \frac{1}{(1 - \alpha' z^2)^2} \left(\frac{1}{2} \alpha' z^2 \partial_\mu \partial_\nu \zeta_\alpha \zeta^\alpha + \alpha' z_\mu \partial_\nu \zeta_\alpha \partial_\alpha \zeta^\alpha \right) \\ &= z^{-2} \frac{1}{(1 - \alpha' z^2)^2} \left(\frac{1}{2} \alpha' z^2 \partial_\mu \partial_\nu \zeta_\alpha \zeta^\alpha + \alpha' z_\mu \partial_\nu \zeta_\alpha \partial_\alpha \zeta^\alpha \right) \end{aligned} \quad (3.34)$$

This completes the derivation of Eq. (3.34).

APPENDIX B SOLUTIONS OF EQUATION (2.44)

In a spherical coordinate system, the dimensionless temperature \bar{T} is given by (see Eq. (2.44))

$$\bar{T}(r, \theta_1) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\theta_1}^{\pi} \frac{\partial \bar{T}(\theta)}{\partial \theta} d\theta + \bar{T}(\theta_1) + \bar{T}(r) + \bar{T}(\theta) \quad (B.1)$$

For a solid sphere, the Green's function for a temperature condition imposed at the sphere surface is given by (see Eq. (2.44))

$$\bar{T}(\theta_1, r) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{P_n} e^{-\sqrt{P_n} r} \cos(\theta_1) \cos(\theta) \quad (B.2)$$

Then,

$$P_n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

Substituting (B.2) into (B.1) yields

$$\bar{T}(r, \theta_1) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P_n \bar{T}(\theta_1) \frac{\partial \bar{T}(\theta)}{\partial \theta} \quad (B.3)$$

where

$$\bar{T}(\theta) = \int_{\theta_1}^{\pi} \bar{T}(\theta) e^{-\sqrt{P_n} r} \cos(\theta) \cos(\theta_1) d\theta \quad (B.4)$$

Following the same line as derived in APPENDIX A, for a solid sphere (Fig. 4b), the correction position can be written as

$$R(r) = R(r_0) + v(r - r_0) \quad , \quad dR = vdr \quad (8.6)$$

Then, Eq. (8.6) can be transformed as

$$R_p(r) = \int_{R(r_0)}^{R(r)} dr' e^{-\frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2 R}{dr'^2}} \frac{dR'}{dr'} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2 R}{dr'^2}} \quad (8.7)$$

From an integration table, one can get

$$\begin{aligned} \int e^{ax} \cos bx dx &= \frac{e^{ax}}{a^2 + b^2} \left[a \cos bx - b \sin bx \right] \\ &= \frac{e^{ax}}{a^2 + b^2} \left[a^2 \cos bx - b^2 \sin bx \right] \quad (8.8) \end{aligned}$$

Then, Eq.(8.7) can be integrated and rearranged as follows

$$\begin{aligned} R_p(r) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \frac{d^2 R}{dr^2}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \frac{d^2 R}{dr^2}} \left\{ e^{\frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2 R}{dr^2}} \left[R_p(r) e^{-\frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2 R}{dr^2}} - R_p(r_0) e^{-\frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2 R}{dr^2}} \right] \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2 R}{dr^2} \left[R_p(r) e^{-\frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2 R}{dr^2}} - R_p(r_0) e^{-\frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2 R}{dr^2}} \right] \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \frac{d^2 R}{dr^2}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \frac{d^2 R}{dr^2}} \left\{ e^{\frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2 R}{dr^2}} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2 R}{dr^2} \left[e^{\frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2 R}{dr^2}} - e^{-\frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2 R}{dr^2}} \right] \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2 R}{dr^2} \left[e^{\frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2 R}{dr^2}} - e^{-\frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2 R}{dr^2}} \right] \right\} \quad (8.9) \end{aligned}$$

That completes the derivation of Eq. (8.9).

APPENDIX C
FURTHER PROBLEMS FOR THE STUDENT. PLEASE CONSULT WITH YOUR

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C      Numerical Solution of Phase Change Problems
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C      Two-dimensional phase change problems.
C      Evolved IBM and SAS method. Two modeling systems.
C      Evolved Nucleation-Boiling-Fluxation for searching for B.
C      Two methods.
C      With/without free convection in the vertical boundary.
C      Finite phase.
C      Iso. and B.C. imposed at wall, insulated at wall.
C      Two-phase vertical boundary condition
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C      PROGRAM NAME
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1      MAXL=100,MAXM=100,MAXN=100)
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1      TV(M:MAXJ),AQ(M:MAXJ),Q(M:MAXJ),
2      Q(M:MAXJ),IPTS(M:MAXJ)
3      COMMON /ALL,P(M:MAXJ),IS,IS2,IS3,IS4,IS5,IS6,IS7,IS8,IS9,IS10,IS11,IS12,IS13,IS14,IS15,IS16,IS17,IS18,IS19,IS20,IS21,IS22,IS23,IS24,IS25,IS26,IS27,IS28,IS29,IS30,IS31,IS32,IS33,IS34,IS35,IS36,IS37,IS38,IS39,IS40,IS41,IS42,IS43,IS44,IS45,IS46,IS47,IS48,IS49,IS50,IS51,IS52,IS53,IS54,IS55,IS56,IS57,IS58,IS59,IS60,IS61,IS62,IS63,IS64,IS65,IS66,IS67,IS68,IS69,IS70,IS71,IS72,IS73,IS74,IS75,IS76,IS77,IS78,IS79,IS80,IS81,IS82,IS83,IS84,IS85,IS86,IS87,IS88,IS89,IS90,IS91,IS92,IS93,IS94,IS95,IS96,IS97,IS98,IS99,IS100,IS101,IS102,IS103,IS104,IS105,IS106,IS107,IS108,IS109,IS110,IS111,IS112,IS113,IS114,IS115,IS116,IS117,IS118,IS119,IS120,IS121,IS122,IS123,IS124,IS125,IS126,IS127,IS128,IS129,IS130,IS131,IS132,IS133,IS134,IS135,IS136,IS137,IS138,IS139,IS140,IS141,IS142,IS143,IS144,IS145,IS146,IS147,IS148,IS149,IS150,IS151,IS152,IS153,IS154,IS155,IS156,IS157,IS158,IS159,IS160,IS161,IS162,IS163,IS164,IS165,IS166,IS167,IS168,IS169,IS170,IS171,IS172,IS173,IS174,IS175,IS176,IS177,IS178,IS179,IS180,IS181,IS182,IS183,IS184,IS185,IS186,IS187,IS188,IS189,IS190,IS191,IS192,IS193,IS194,IS195,IS196,IS197,IS198,IS199,IS200,IS201,IS202,IS203,IS204,IS205,IS206,IS207,IS208,IS209,IS210,IS211,IS212,IS213,IS214,IS215,IS216,IS217,IS218,IS219,IS220,IS221,IS222,IS223,IS224,IS225,IS226,IS227,IS228,IS229,IS230,IS231,IS232,IS233,IS234,IS235,IS236,IS237,IS238,IS239,IS240,IS241,IS242,IS243,IS244,IS245,IS246,IS247,IS248,IS249,IS250,IS251,IS252,IS253,IS254,IS255,IS256,IS257,IS258,IS259,IS260,IS261,IS262,IS263,IS264,IS265,IS266,IS267,IS268,IS269,IS270,IS271,IS272,IS273,IS274,IS275,IS276,IS277,IS278,IS279,IS280,IS281,IS282,IS283,IS284,IS285,IS286,IS287,IS288,IS289,IS290,IS291,IS292,IS293,IS294,IS295,IS296,IS297,IS298,IS299,IS300,IS301,IS302,IS303,IS304,IS305,IS306,IS307,IS308,IS309,IS310,IS311,IS312,IS313,IS314,IS315,IS316,IS317,IS318,IS319,IS320,IS321,IS322,IS323,IS324,IS325,IS326,IS327,IS328,IS329,IS330,IS331,IS332,IS333,IS334,IS335,IS336,IS337,IS338,IS339,IS340,IS341,IS342,IS343,IS344,IS345,IS346,IS347,IS348,IS349,IS350,IS351,IS352,IS353,IS354,IS355,IS356,IS357,IS358,IS359,IS360,IS361,IS362,IS363,IS364,IS365,IS366,IS367,IS368,IS369,IS370,IS371,IS372,IS373,IS374,IS375,IS376,IS377,IS378,IS379,IS380,IS381,IS382,IS383,IS384,IS385,IS386,IS387,IS388,IS389,IS390,IS391,IS392,IS393,IS394,IS395,IS396,IS397,IS398,IS399,IS400,IS401,IS402,IS403,IS404,IS405,IS406,IS407,IS408,IS409,IS410,IS411,IS412,IS413,IS414,IS415,IS416,IS417,IS418,IS419,IS420,IS421,IS422,IS423,IS424,IS425,IS426,IS427,IS428,IS429,IS430,IS431,IS432,IS433,IS434,IS435,IS436,IS437,IS438,IS439,IS440,IS441,IS442,IS443,IS444,IS445,IS446,IS447,IS448,IS449,IS450,IS451,IS452,IS453,IS454,IS455,IS456,IS457,IS458,IS459,IS460,IS461,IS462,IS463,IS464,IS465,IS466,IS467,IS468,IS469,IS470,IS471,IS472,IS473,IS474,IS475,IS476,IS477,IS478,IS479,IS480,IS481,IS482,IS483,IS484,IS485,IS486,IS487,IS488,IS489,IS490,IS491,IS492,IS493,IS494,IS495,IS496,IS497,IS498,IS499,IS500,IS501,IS502,IS503,IS504,IS505,IS506,IS507,IS508,IS509,IS510,IS511,IS512,IS513,IS514,IS515,IS516,IS517,IS518,IS519,IS520,IS521,IS522,IS523,IS524,IS525,IS526,IS527,IS528,IS529,IS530,IS531,IS532,IS533,IS534,IS535,IS536,IS537,IS538,IS539,IS540,IS541,IS542,IS543,IS544,IS545,IS546,IS547,IS548,IS549,IS550,IS551,IS552,IS553,IS554,IS555,IS556,IS557,IS558,IS559,IS560,IS561,IS562,IS563,IS564,IS565,IS566,IS567,IS568,IS569,IS570,IS571,IS572,IS573,IS574,IS575,IS576,IS577,IS578,IS579,IS580,IS581,IS582,IS583,IS584,IS585,IS586,IS587,IS588,IS589,IS590,IS591,IS592,IS593,IS594,IS595,IS596,IS597,IS598,IS599,IS600,IS601,IS602,IS603,IS604,IS605,IS606,IS607,IS608,IS609,IS610,IS611,IS612,IS613,IS614,IS615,IS616,IS617,IS618,IS619,IS620,IS621,IS622,IS623,IS624,IS625,IS626,IS627,IS628,IS629,IS630,IS631,IS632,IS633,IS634,IS635,IS636,IS637,IS638,IS639,IS640,IS641,IS642,IS643,IS644,IS645,IS646,IS647,IS648,IS649,IS650,IS651,IS652,IS653,IS654,IS655,IS656,IS657,IS658,IS659,IS660,IS661,IS662,IS663,IS664,IS665,IS666,IS667,IS668,IS669,IS670,IS671,IS672,IS673,IS674,IS675,IS676,IS677,IS678,IS679,IS680,IS681,IS682,IS683,IS684,IS685,IS686,IS687,IS688,IS689,IS690,IS691,IS692,IS693,IS694,IS695,IS696,IS697,IS698,IS699,IS700,IS701,IS702,IS703,IS704,IS705,IS706,IS707,IS708,IS709,IS710,IS711,IS712,IS713,IS714,IS715,IS716,IS717,IS718,IS719,IS720,IS721,IS722,IS723,IS724,IS725,IS726,IS727,IS728,IS729,IS730,IS731,IS732,IS733,IS734,IS735,IS736,IS737,IS738,IS739,IS740,IS741,IS742,IS743,IS744,IS745,IS746,IS747,IS748,IS749,IS750,IS751,IS752,IS753,IS754,IS755,IS756,IS757,IS758,IS759,IS760,IS761,IS762,IS763,IS764,IS765,IS766,IS767,IS768,IS769,IS770,IS771,IS772,IS773,IS774,IS775,IS776,IS777,IS778,IS779,IS780,IS781,IS782,IS783,IS784,IS785,IS786,IS787,IS788,IS789,IS790
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IF(XG-EG-1) THEN
  M = 1.
ELSE
  M = MIN(FLAT)(XG-1)
END IF
M = MIN(FLAT)(M-1)
M/PA = (M/PA+PP)
DO(XG-EG-1) THEN
  OPEN UNIT, FILE=FILE, FORM='FORMATTED', STATUS='OLD'
  CALL GETTAB(XG,M,EG,EG,EG,T,T,PA)
  CLOSE(UNIT)
  PRINT,'new RESULT ON 1, new,old'
  PA =
  M =
  DO 100 I=1,MY
    DO 100 J=1,NX
      T(I,J) = (J-1)+M
      T(I,J) = T(I,J)
100 CONTINUE
    DO 100 I=1,NX
      M(I,1) = M
      M(I,1) = M
      M(I,2) = M
      M(I,2) = M
100 CONTINUE
    END IF
C. FIRST BOUNDARY CONDITIONS.
    READ(2,*)
    READ(2,*) END,INC
  )
C-ARC0: Define T, B.C.   ARC0: 3-variable T, B.C.
C-ARC0: Constant T, B.C.  ARC0: 4th-variable T, B.C.
  )-
  INC = 1.0/ARC
  IF(EG GE MAX(ARC) THEN PRINT 'INC is too large'
  READ(2,*)
  READ(2,*) (TBC(I),I=1,ARC)
  READ(2,*)
  READ(2,*) TIR0
  READ(2,*) (TBC(I,2),I=1,ARC)
  TIR1 = TIR0
  DO 300 I=1,ARC
    TBC(I,2) = TBC(I,2)
300 CONTINUE
  CONTINUE
  DO 400 I=1,ARC
    TBC(I,2) = TBC(I,2)
    TIR1 = TIR0
    DO 500 J=1,ARC
      TBC(I,J) = TBC(I,J)
      READ(2,*) (TBC(I,J),I=1,ARC)
    )
  )

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    MY = 0
    PR = 0

    NC = 1400/MC
    DO I = 1,NC
    TW(I) = TW(1)
    WTS(1,1) = 0
    WTS(1,2) = 0
2    CONTINUE
    DO 100 WHILE (TIME-IT.MY)
    MY = MY + 1
C-Now solve
    IF(MY.EQ.0 .AND. MY.LE.40) THEN
    MY = ABS(ITS*(X(1)-MY))/+2
    ELSE
    MY = ABS(MY)
    END IF
C-
    TIME = TIME + IT
    IF(MY.LE.40) CALL SUBS(X,NC,IT,TIME,TW)
    DO 100 I=1,NC
    WTS(I,1) = TW(I) - TW(1) +
1        MY*(0.5*(1+11*WTS(I,1)-0.5*MY)/WTS(I)
    TW(I) = TW(I,1)
    DO 100 J=1,MY
    WTS(I,J) = WTS(I,J)
100 CONTINUE
C-Now for E-solution
    CALL FUNCT(X,MY,MY,MY,TIME,NC,PR,TW)
1    WTS(1,1)=WTS(1,1), WTS(1,2)=WTS(1,1), WTS(1,3)=WTS(1,1)
    IF(ABS(WTS(1,1)-0)) GOTO 400
C-Check for overflow status
    CALL OVER(X,NC,TIME,0,0,TW,2,0,TIME,TIME)
C-
    PRINT
    PRINT,'Final solution is at TIME
    PRINT,'      MY(1)      TW(1)      TW(1)'
    DO 100 I=1,NC
    IF(WTS(I,1) EQ 0 .AND. ITS(I,2) EQ 0) GOTO 100
    DO 100 J=1,MY
    J1 = WTS(I,J)
    WTS(I,J) = TW(I,J)
    WTS(I,J) = TW(I,J)
100 CONTINUE
    IF(WTS(1,1) EQ 1 .AND. WTS(1,2) EQ 0) THEN
C-
C-11 (No-1log)
    MY = MY
    DO I = 1,1,1
    END DO(1,1)
C-

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1000  V(I) = (X(I) - B(I, 1)) / (C(I, 1) - B(I, 1)) / (Z(I) - 1)
1010  CONTINUE
1020  CONTINUE
1030  IF = MOD(NC, 10000)
1040  DO FOR J=1, NC
1050  IF (J EQ 0) WRITE(NC-1000) (1-I)*NC, B(I, 1), B(I, 10), TIME
1060  CONTINUE
1070  NC = NC/5
1080  WRITE(NC, 1000) TIME, B(1, 1), B(10, 1), B(NC, 1)
1090  WRITE(NC, 1000) TIME, B(1, 1), B(10, 1), B(NC, 1)
1100  CONTINUE
1110  FORMAT(10H, 1)
1120  RETURN
1130
1140
1150  C----- SUBROUTINE GETTQ -----
1160  SUBROUTINE GETTQ(M, NC, M1, TIME, IN)
1170  PARAMETER (M=NC/5)
1180  COMMON /B/(TBC(M*NC), TBC(M*NC, 2), TIME, TIME)
1190  DIMENSION Tq(M)
1200
1210  CONTINUE
1220  IF (TIME LE TIME) GOTO 100
1230  TIME = TIME
1240  DO FOR I=1, MNC
1250  TBC(1, 1) = TBC(1, 1)
1260  READ(1, 4) (TBC(1, 1), 1+1, MNC)
1270  GOTO 100
1280  TIME = 1.0E6
1290  CONTINUE
1300  CALL INTC(M, NC, M1, TIME, IN)
1310  RETURN
1320
1330
1340  C----- SUBROUTINE CDD-----
1350  SUBROUTINE CDD(M1, M2, M3, B, M, Tq, MNC, TIME, MNC)
1360  DIMENSION Tq(M), B(1), B(10, 1), B(M, 1), TBC(M), Tq(M)
1370
1380  DO FOR I=1, M1
1390  IF (Tq(I) = 0) GO TO 1395 and TBC(I) = 0. (a, b, c) THEN
1400  C-Tq > Tq = 0. Following
1410  TBC(1, 1) = 1
1420  READ 1(1, 1) = 0 and TBC(1) = 0. (a, b, c) then
1430  C-Tq < Tq = Following
1440  TBC(1, 1) = 1
1450  END IF
1460  C-Interpolate results when boundary
1470  IF (TBC(1, 1) = 0.1 AND B(1, 1) GE TIME) THEN
1480  TBC(1, 1) = 0
1490  M1(1) = 0
1500  END IF

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      F      = T1 + T2 - T30;
      IF (ABS(F) .LT. 0.0001) GO TO 40

      MP      = (F-PL)/(RT-PL)
      MP0     = MP
      PL      = F
      IF (ABS(PL) .GT. 0.01) THEN
        TL    = RT
      ELSE
        TR    = RT
      END IF

C...
      DO 10 I=1,1000
      IF ((ABS(PL)+ABS(F-PL))/(RT-PL)+ABS(PL-PL)/ABS(R))
      .LE. 0.0001 .AND. (ABS(PL)+ABS(0.0001)) .GT. 0.0001) THEN
        DO = 0
        R  = 0.5*(TR-PL)
        RT = 0.5*(TR+PL)
      ELSE
        DO = 1
        R  = F/MP
        RT = RT + 0
      END IF
      PL0C = RT
      PL0R = PL0C
      DO1 = DO
      CALL SUBROUTINE (DO, RT, TL, TR, MP, F)
      CALL SUBROUTINE (DO, DO1, PL0C, PL0R, RT0C)
      TR    = RT0C+MP0*MP
      F     = TR - T2 - T30
      IF (ABS(F) .LT. 0.0001 .AND. (ABS(PL)+ABS(0.0001) .LT. 0.0001) .AND. 0)
      MP     = (F-PL)/(RT-PL)
      MP0    = MP
      PL     = F
      IF (ABS(PL) .GT. 0) THEN
        TL    = RT
      ELSE
        TR    = RT
      END IF
10 CONTINUE
40 CONTINUE
DO = 0
R  = RT
RETURN
END

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    B1 = B(1)/B(1-1)
    B(1) = B(1)-B(1)*B(1-1)

100  C1(1) = B(1)-B(1)*B(1-1)
    CONTINUE
    B1 = 1./C(100)
    C1(100) = C(100)/B1-4B1
    B1 = 100-100*B1
    J = 100-100*B1
    B1 = 1./B1*B1
110  C1(J) = C1(J)-4*(J)+C1(J+1)+4B1
120  CONTINUE
    RETURN
END

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C

***** Spline fitting *****

C Spline Interpolation

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C-----
SUBROUTINE SPLINE(SF,X,Y,N,ST,TH)
  DIMENSION Y(1), T(1), B(1)
  IF(Y(1) = 0) THEN
    TH = T(1)
    RETURN
  END IF
  DO 10 J=2,N
    IF(Y(J) = 0) THEN TH = T(J) THEN
      B1 = TH-T(J-1)
      B1 = B(1)-TH
      B(1) = B1+B1
      B1 = B1+B1
      B = T(J)-T(J-1)
      TH1 = (B+B + B+B)*B*B/12
      TH2 = (B+B + B+B)*B*B/12
      TH3 = (B+B)*B*B/12
      TH4 = (B+B)*B*B/12
      TH = (TH1+TH2+TH3+TH4)/N+2
    END DO
  END IF
  CONTINUE
  TH = T(SF)
120  CONTINUE
  RETURN
END

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C

***** Subroutine (SPL) *****

C Integration of Spline's function over t from t_0 to t_1

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C-----
SUBROUTINE SPLIN(T0,T1,SF,X,Y,N,ST,TH,SP,TH1,TH2,TH3,TH4)
  COMMON /ALL/TH1,TH2,TH3,TH4,SP,ST,TH1,TH2,TH3,TH4
  SF = 1.0
  IF(AND(T0,T1) .LT. 0.0) THEN
    SF = 0
    RETURN
  END IF

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END IF
PI = 3.14159265

DO 100 I=1,N
  SI = PI*I - PI/2
  SD = 20-SD
  IF(MOD(I,10) .EQ. 1 .OR. SD) THEN
    SDIF = 0.
    RETURN
  END IF

  PFI = 0.5-PI/1000
  ALPHAF = ALPHAF*PI
  RM = 0.
  QRM = 0.
  DO 100 J=1,N
    RTA = (0.5-PI-J)*PI
    RM = RM+SDIF
    QM = QM+SDIF
    RTB = RTA+PI/2
    QM = QM+PI/2
    RTAB = RTA+RTB
    RT = ALPHAF-RTAB
    QF = QM-RT
    RM = RT*RM + QF*QF+QF
    TI = RT/1000
    TQ = QM+QF/1000
    TIRM = TI+RT/1000
    TQRM = TQ+QF/1000
    TIRM = TI+QF/1000
    TQRM = TQ+QF/1000
    RM = TIRM-TQRM-RT*(TIRM-TQRM)
    QM = QM + QF*(QF-TI)
    QRM = (QRM-QM)
    TI = TI+TI
    QM = QM*(TI/QM)
    IF(QM .EQ. 0.0) GO TO 100
  100 CONTINUE
  IF(TAB .EQ. 1 .OR. SD) THEN
    WRITE(*,*) 'No convergence !!'
    STOP 'No convergence in Small beam(s)'
  END IF

200 CONTINUE
  CMT = 1.400-QM/1000
  RETURN
END

C
C----- SUBROUTINE FLAME *****
C Find temp distribution due to interface
C *****
      SUBROUTINE FLAME(IP, RM,ALPH, TI ,J, RM, S)
      DIMENSION T(100),T1(10)
      COMMON /ALL/ RM, SI, SD, PI, RT, QF, RT, QM, ALPH, RM
      REAL T(10)
      IF(0.5-PI-SD .EQ. 0.5 .OR. SD) RETURN
      T(0) = 0

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      JJ = J(J)
      TW(1,JJ) = B(J)

200  CONTINUE
300  CONTINUE
C
C  LOOP ON I=0
      JI = 0
      DO 400 J=J1,J2
      DO 400 I=1,N2
      A(I) = -CONE
      B(I) = 1 + 2 * CONE
      C(I) = -CONE
      IF (J .EQ. J2) THEN
        DCONV = 2 * -CONE * (TW(1,J-1) - TW(1,J))
      ELSE
        DCONV = CONE * (TW(1,J+1) - 2 * TW(1,J) + TW(1,J-1))
      END IF
      B(I) = TW(1,J) + DCONV
400  CONTINUE
      IF (JI .GT. 1) THEN
        DTJ = -B * CONE
        B(I) = 1 + 2 * CONE * (1 - DTJ)
        DTJ = DTJ + B * CONE * DTJ * TIME
        A(I) = -B * CONE
        B(I) = 1 + 2 * CONE * (1 - DTJ)
        DTJ = DTJ + B * CONE * DTJ * TIME
        CALL TW2D(TW,I,J,B,C,DT)
      END IF
      DO 500 I=1,N2
      TC(I,J) = B(I)
500  CONTINUE
600  CONTINUE
      DO 700 I=1,N2
      TI(I,J) = TW(I)
700  CONTINUE
      RETURN
END

C
C===== SUBROUTINE TW2D(TW,I1,J1,TIME,T,T)
C=====
      SUBROUTINE TW2D(TW,I1,J1,TIME,T,T)
      DIMENSION T(1:N1,1:N2),TW(N1,N2)
      COMMON /AL/LN1,N1,N2,N3,N4,J1,J2,C1,C2,CON,ALPHA,BET
      COMMON /IR/IRN1,IRN2,IRN3,IRN4,IRN5

C=====
      WRITE(UNIT=66,IO=0) I1,J1,C1
      DO 100 J=J1,J2
      DO 100 I=1,N2
      Z = (I-1) * C1
      WRITE(UNIT=1000,IO=0) Z, TW(I,J), TI(I,J)
100  CONTINUE
      FORMAT(ML1, F)

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VPRM1 = RT1
TTRM1 = RT1

RTM = RT1
CALL SPLPRM(RT,V1,V1,V1,V1,V1,V1)
CALL CHPTT2(Flow,NS,NS,PRM1,PRM1,RT1,glat1)
RT1 = NSOP* (glat1 - glat2)
V1 = V1 + RT1 - TRM
TRM = RT1
CALL SPLPRM(RT,V1,V1,V1,V1,V1,V1)
CALL CHPTT2(Flow,NS,NS,PRM1,PRM1,glat1,glat2)
TRM = NSOP* (glat1 - glat2)
RT1 = RT1 + TRM - TRM
RT1 = NS1 - NSM
RT2 = NS2 - NSM
CONTINUE
COUNT = COUNT + 1
NSM = RT1-gly
IF(SABS-NSM) LT 0.5 THEN
    RT1=NSM-RT-1. RT2 = RT2
    RT2 = RT1
END IF
END IF
TRM = RT1
VPRM1 = RT1
TTRM1 = RT1
CALL SPLPRM(RT,V1,V1,V1,V1,V1,V1)
CALL CHPTT2(Flow,NS,NS,PRM1,PRM1,RT1,glat1)
TRM = NSOP* (glat1 - glat2)
V1 = V1 + TRM - TRM
TRM = RT1
CALL SPLPRM(RT,V1,V1,V1,V1,V1,V1)
CALL CHPTT2(Flow,NS,NS,PRM1,PRM1,RT1,glat1)
TRM = NSOP* (glat1 - glat2)
PRM = TRM + TRM - TRM

IF(SABS-PRM-RT-1.5) THEN
    RT1=COUNT-RT-1.5 THEN
        NSM = -10-NSM
        COUNT = 0
    END IF
    RT1=RT1-RT-1.5 THEN NSM = -10-NSM
    IF(RT2 LT V1(V1) NSM = -10-NSM
    IF(SABS(SABS) RT-1.5-RT-1.5) NSM-1.5-NSM
    RT2 = RT2 + NSM
    RT1=RT1-RT-1.5 THEN NSM = TRM
    IF(RT2 RT-1.5) RT2 = RT1
END IF

IF(SABS(V1-RT1) LT 1.E-6) RT1 = V1 + 1.E-06
IF(SABS(V1-RT2) LT 1.E-6) RT2 = V12 + 1.E-06
DO 20-101,20

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1. **Introduction**

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EPS = 1.E-04
IP=MIN(TMAX,AT-0.1-0.01) TMAX
G1 = 0
J2 = 0
GTYPE
END IF
F1 = 2.144807
G11 = T11 - Y10
G12 = T12 - Y10 - Y20
G13 = G11*G11
G14 = G12*G12
FIT = 0.5*IP/(Y10+Y20)
G1G12 = -G11*G12

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TERRA2 = T2*CDL/AREA;
AREA = (TERRA1-TERRA2)*PI*(TERRA1-TERRA2)

SQR2 = SQR2 + (SRR1-SR1)/S2;
SRR2 = TERRA2-TERRA2-PI*(TERRA2-TERRA2)
SQR2 = SQR2 + (SRR2-SR2)/S2;
SRR = SRR1+SRR2
SRR = SRR/AREA2
TT1 = S1/TT2
TT2 = T2/TT1
IF (S1 GT S2) GO TO 100
SRR = (SRR*TT1)+SRR*TT2)/(1+SRR1+SRR2)
IF (SRR GT S2) GO TO 100
CONTINUE
WRITE(1,2-4) T2RR
WRITE(1,4) 'No convergence !!'
GO IF
100 CONTINUE
S1 = S1-SR1-SQR1/TT2R
S2 = T2-SRR-SQR2/TT2R
GOTO2
END
C
C=====SUBROUTINE PLATEAU=====
C      Calling for algorithm for domain interlance
C=====
SUBROUTINE PLATEAU(T2,AREA2,SRR1,SRR2,S1,S2,T1,TT)
DIMENSION T2(1),T1(1)
COMMON /ALL/AREA,PI,SR,SR1,SR2,SR,CD,CD,SRR,ALPHA,PI2
COMMON /S1T1/ T2R,T2S,T2SS
WRITE (*,*)
SRR1 = S1
SRR2 = S2
TT2R = S1
TT2S = S2
S2 = SRR2
PI = 3.1415927
AREA = T2(1)
CALL SUBROUTINE(SRR1,SRR2,TT2R,TT2S,SRR1,SRR2)
T2 = SRR2*(SRR1/SRR2)
WRITE(S1,18) (SRR1,1),CD=SRR1,S1=TT2(1)
T1(1) = T2(1) + T2
CONTINUE
WRITE(S1,17) 4)
RETURN
END

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